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**SUBJECT: MARTIN LUTHER KING JR.**

**FILE NUMBER: 100-106670**

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**FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION**

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

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SECTION 6

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

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TO : Mr. Bishop

DATE: August 19, 1969

FROM : M. A. Jones

SUBJECT: SENATOR DANIEL K. INOUE (D - HAWAII)  
 INFORMATION CONCERNING DISSEMINATION MADE  
 BY BUREAU OF INFORMATION REGARDING MARTIN  
 LUTHER KING

Reference Malmfeldt to Bishop memorandum of 8/15/69 wherein Mr. DeLoach suggested that he and Inspector Bowers personally deliver the enclosed letter dated 8/18/69 to Senator Inouye.

Contact with the Senator's secretary on 8/19/69 revealed the Senator and both of his top assistants are out of Washington and not scheduled to return until 9/3/69.

## RECOMMENDATION:

That the enclosed letter be delivered by Bowers to the Senator's secretary and that she be advised at that time that Mr. DeLoach would like to call on the Senator upon his return to Washington to discuss any additional questions he may have concerning his inquiry about Martin Luther King.

*He will not be given any confidential information.*

Encl.

- 1 - Mr. DeLoach
- 1 - Mr. Bishop
- 1 - Mr. Sullivan
- 1 - Mr. Malmfeldt
- 1 - Mr. Jones

*Bowers should deliver note & nothing further said.*

DWB:clw  
 (8) *clw*

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August 10, 1969

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Senator Daniel K. Inouye  
United States Senate  
Washington, D. C. 20510

My dear Senator:

Your letter of August 13th has been received.

You may be assured that any dissemination of information regarding Martin Luther King made by this Bureau or officials in the Executive Branch of the Government was on the basis of their proper interest in the subject matter involved. In my letter of August 8, 1969, I made absolutely no implication whatsoever that any of these officials "leaked" such information. Under the circumstances, I do not believe that any purpose would be served in identifying the individuals to whom the pertinent information was furnished.

Sincerely yours,

LEB:nrm (4)

NOTE: See G. E. Malmfeldt to Mr. Bishop memo dated 8/15/69 captioned "Senator Daniel K. Inouye (D - Hawaii), Information Concerning Dissemination Made By Bureau of Information Regarding Martin Luther King."

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : Mr. Bishop

DATE: 8-15-69

FROM : G. E. Malmfeldt *gjm*

SUBJECT: SENATOR DANIEL K. INOUE (D - HAWAII)  
INFORMATION CONCERNING DISSEMINATION MADE  
BY BUREAU OF INFORMATION REGARDING MARTIN  
LUTHER KING

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Mr. Tolson	_____
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Mr. Bishop	_____
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Mr. Sullivan	_____
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Mr. Holmes	_____
Miss Gandy	_____

*and [signature]*

Senator Daniel K. Inouye (D - Hawaii with whom we have had limited but cordial correspondence), by letter of 8-13-69, has inquired as to our dissemination of information regarding Martin Luther King. Recommended that attached letter be directed to Senator Inouye advising him that our dissemination was on the basis of the proper interest of those to whom FBI disseminated and that no purpose would be served in identifying those government officials.

By letter 8-6-69, Senator Inouye made reference to an article in the 7-27-69 issue of Parade magazine regarding the immoral conduct of King, and the wiretap on King. Inouye inquired as to whether the FBI had released any information obtained from the wiretap. By letter 8-8-69 Inouye was advised that the FBI did not "leak" information regarding King and that, in keeping with our responsibilities, we disseminated information concerning King on a high-level basis within the Executive Branch of the Government. In his letter of 8-13-69, Inouye asks for the identities of the officials who received confidential information on King and inquires whether our letter of 8-8-69 implied that these officials may have been responsible for any leak of data on King. On this letter the Director noted "I am not implying anything. H."

The FBI has made dissemination of information on King to various high levels of the Government including the White House, the Vice President, the Attorney General, and intelligence agencies. We should not disclose identities of the officials to whom we have disseminated information. If we give Senator Inouye any such list, other members of Congress will expect similar treatment in other Bureau matters. In addition, the furnishing of any list to the Senator might also cause him to inquire of the officials on the list whether or not they leaked any data on King, and causing them to be displeased with the FBI for disclosing their identities as recipients of sensitive information on King.

Enclosure  
1 - Mr. DeLoach *Ask [unclear] 8/19/69 [unclear]*  
1 - Mr. Bishop *same as above*  
1 - Mr. Sullivan *DWS/caw*  
1 - Mr. Malmfeldt  
LMG:mrm (5)

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CORRECTIONAL

Memorandum to Mr. Bishop  
Re: Senator Daniel K. Inouye (D - Hawaii)

RECOMMENDATION:

That the attached letter be sent to Senator Inouye.

JH

Suggest Inspector  
Bowers and I personally  
deliver this letter.

OK.

JH

JH

WC

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November 26, 1963

Iowa

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Dear [REDACTED]

Your letter of November 19th, with enclosure, has been received.

Although I would like to be of service to you, information contained in the files of the FBI must be maintained as confidential in accordance with regulations of the Department of Justice and is available for official use only. Therefore, I trust you will understand why I am not in a position to comment along the lines you have suggested.

Sincerely yours,

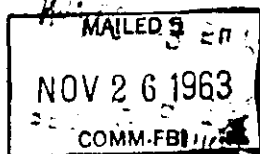
J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover  
Director

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DATE 12/4/79 BY 9803 RDJ/mjf

NOTE: Correspondent, Dr. Richard Taylor and Miss Arnell Ponder are not identifiable in Bufiles.

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[REDACTED] Iowa  
Nov. 19, 1963

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Mr. J. Edgar Hoover  
F. B. I. Director  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

I am not sure that this letter will ever get to your desk but I am in need of some information and am hoping to obtain it by this method.

I am pastor of the [REDACTED] Iowa. I received my eldership orders in the church in the summer of 1947.

Enclosed you will find a folder concerning the S. C. L. C. A few weeks ago a Miss. Arnell Ponder, from the south, a colored young lady and a Dr. Richard Taylor who has been in Washing working on a National Friends Service Committee on Civil Rights; were in our city for a speaking engagement. They came to our town thru the [REDACTED] of which I am now chairman. Since this meeting here in [REDACTED] there has been much said about many individuals, especially, Martin Luther King, Jr. being in sympathy and connected with the communists. My letter is to see if you can help me in gaining some facts. Are there any and how many, and who are connected with communists fronts here in America listed on the back of the folder?

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I remain sincerely yours,

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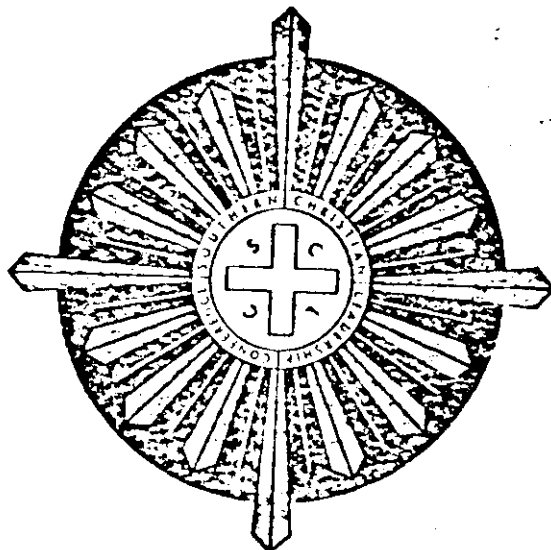
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L.P. J.





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### Birth of SCLC

On January 10, 1957, more than 100 Southern leaders gathered in Atlanta, Georgia, to share and discuss their mutual problems of the Southern struggle. By unanimous agreement, the body voted to form a permanent organization that would serve as a coordinating agency for local protest centers that were utilizing the technique and philosophy of non-violence in creative protest. Two months later, close on the heels of the successful Montgomery, Alabama bus boycott, SCLC came into being. In New Orleans, Louisiana, Martin Luther King, Jr., was elected president.

### Structure of SCLC

Affiliate organizations all across the South make up the body of the Conference. The making and execution of basic policy is the responsibility of the Executive Board, geographically representative of the entire South. Of the thirty-three board members, twenty-four are elected by the Conference and nine by the Board. Every affiliate may have from one to five voting delegates at any deliberative session of the Conference, depending upon the type of financial affiliation. The annual meeting of the Conference is held in the early fall and the Executive Board meets in the Spring. Policy decisions are handled by an Administrative Committee between meetings of the Conference and the Board. SCLC maintains a modest but versatile staff at its home office in Atlanta, Georgia.

### Membership in SCLC

SCLC is not a membership organization *per se*. As indicated, affiliate groups and organizations constitute the actual membership. In turn, individuals belong to the affiliates (churches, civic organizations, fraternal groups, etc.). The minimum affiliate fee is \$25.00 per annum entitling the group represented to one voting delegate in all deliberative sessions. An affiliate may have as many as five (5) voting delegates (\$125.00), but regardless of amount given, this is maximum number of delegates allowed. Affiliation requires an application in writing to national office that indicates general structure and purposes of group seeking affiliation. All affiliates are confirmed by the Executive Board or Administrative Committee. Upon confirmation, affiliate certificates and suitable credentials are forwarded to member organization indicating

SCLC's services are immediately available. The SCLC Newsletter and other printed material relevant to the social struggle are forwarded to the membership of the affiliate group periodically.

#### **SCLC—A Nonsectarian Agency**

From its inception, SCLC has been nonsectarian in character. Conference supporters are people of all faiths, religions and creeds. The word 'Christian' in SCLC's name is natural and unique to the social structure of the Negro community in the South. The Negro church is his only forum, owned, operated and controlled by him; it affords the broadest opportunity for social intercourse; it is generally the headquarters of the Negro's struggle for full citizenship; the pastor has been the community leader and champion of the Negro's civil liberties. Most of the protest centers in the South are clergy-led, thus accounting for the high incidence of ministers who make up the leadership of the Conference. Laymen too, play a significant role, several serving on the Board and holding top offices. SCLC welcomes the good wishes and support of any person or group of persons who have as their ultimate goal actualizing democracy in America through peaceful and non-violent means.

#### **Aims and Purposes of SCLC**

The Southern Christian Leadership Conference has the basic aim of achieving full citizenship rights, equality, and the integration of the Negro in all aspects of American life. SCLC is a service agency to facilitate coordinated action of local community groups within the frame of their indigenous organizations and natural leadership. SCLC activity revolves around two main focal points: the use of nonviolent philosophy as a means of creative protest; and securing the right of the ballot for every citizen.

#### **Philosophy of SCLC**

The basic tenets of Hebraic-Christian tradition coupled with the Ghandian concept of *satyagraha* — truth force — is at the heart of SCLC's philosophy. Christian nonviolence actively resists evil in any form. It never seeks to humiliate the opponent, only to win him. Suffering is accepted without retaliation. Internal violence of the spirit is as much to be rejected as external physical violence. At the center of nonviolence is redemptive love. Creatively

used, the philosophy of nonviolence can restore the broken community in America. SCLC is convinced that nonviolence is the most potent force available to an oppressed people in their struggle for freedom and dignity.

#### **SCLC and Nonviolent Mass Direct Action**

SCLC believes that the American dilemma in race relations can best and most quickly be resolved through the action of thousands of people, committed to the philosophy of nonviolence, who will physically identify themselves in a just and moral struggle. It is not enough to be intellectually dissatisfied with an evil system. The true nonviolent resister presents his physical body as an instrument to defeat the system. Through nonviolent mass direct action, the evil system is creatively dramatized in order that the conscience of the community may grapple with the rightness or wrongness of the issue at hand.

#### **SCLC and Leadership Training**

In its bold new program, SCLC has undertaken one of the difficult tasks so vital to the present-day struggle in the South. The Leadership Training Program is directed at the organization of communities at the 'grass-roots' level. It is believed that the great success of the Negro community's struggle for full citizenship will be determined by the training of this second-line leadership. Leadership Training embraces the work of the Citizenship Schools and the Correspondence Institute. Both include in their course of studies such subjects as: *Registration and Voting; Social Protest; Understanding Politics; Use of the Boycott; How to Picket; The Nature of Prejudice, etc.*

#### **SCLC's Citizenship Schools**

The Citizenship School is the direct result of one phase of the Leadership Training Program. Interested persons, who have a general knowledge of reading and writing, are trained intensively in the skills of adult education using subject matter relevant to the social struggle. They return to their individual communities as instructors and set up a Citizenship School that the 'grass-roots' people may be trained for full participation in civic life. Periodically, the instructors return to the training center for refresher courses to keep them abreast of significant changes and to further develop their skills.

### SCLC and Voter-Registration

The right of the ballot is basic to the exercise of full citizenship rights. All across the South, subtle and flagrant obstacles confront the Negro when he seeks to register and vote. Poll taxes, long form questionnaires, harassment, economic reprisal, and sometimes death, meet those who dare to seek this exercise of the ballot. In areas where there is little or no attempt to block the voting attempts of the Negro, apathy generally is deeply etched upon the habits of the community. SCLC with its specialized staff works on both fronts: aiding local communities through every means available to secure the right to vote (e.g. filing complaints with the Civil Rights Commission) and arousing interest through voter-registration workshops to point up the importance of the ballot. Periodically, SCLC, upon invitation conducts a voter-registration drive to enhance a community's opportunity to free itself from economic and political servitude. SCLC believes that the most important step the Negro can take is that short walk to the voting booth.

### SCLC and Civil Disobedience

SCLC sees civil disobedience as a natural consequence of nonviolence when the resister is confronted by unjust and immoral laws. This does not imply that SCLC advocates either anarchy or lawlessness. The Conference firmly believes that all people have a moral responsibility to obey laws that are just. It recognizes, however, that there also are unjust laws. From a purely moral point of view, an unjust law is one that is out of harmony with the moral law of the universe, or, as the religionist would say, out of harmony with the Law of God. More concretely, an unjust law is one in which the minority is compelled to observe a code which is not binding on the majority. An unjust law is one in which people are required to obey a code that they had no part in making because they were denied the right to vote. In the face of such obvious inequality, where difference is made legal, the non-violent resister has no alternative but to disobey the unjust law. In disobeying such a law, he does so peacefully, openly and nonviolently. Most important, he *willingly* accepts the penalty for breaking the law. This distinguishes SCLC's position on civil disobedience from the 'uncivil disobedience' of the racist opposition in the South. In the face of laws they consider unjust, they seek to defy,

evade, and circumvent the law, BUT they are unwilling to accept the penalty for breaking the law. The end result of their defiance is anarchy and disrespect for the law. SCLC, on the other hand, believes that civil disobedience involves the highest respect for the law. He who openly disobeys a law that conscience tells him is unjust and willingly accepts the penalty is giving evidence that he so respects the law that he belongs in jail until it is changed.

#### Source of SCLC's Funds

SCLC's budget is supported by mass rallies, individual and organizational pledges, direct mailing fund appeals, and affiliate fees. Some portion of the budget is realized through the personal appearances of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. and other members of the Conference. Under its bold new program, SCLC launches in 1961 its 'Dollars For Freedom' campaign which is again directed at the 'grass roots' population of America. More recently, special fund-raising projects in the form of benefits featuring outstanding artists of show business, have added to the financial support needed to carry on the work throughout the South.

#### SCLC and the Sit-ins

The Southern Christian Leadership Conference views the Sit-In Movement of southern college students as the most important development in the southern struggle. The Conference's record evidences that at every opportunity, it has done everything within its power and resources to aid and abet the students in developing their skills in non-violent protest. The Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee (SNCC), the coordinating organization of the student movement, was born as a result of a conference called by SCLC at Raleigh, North Carolina, in the spring of 1960 at the height of the Sit-Ins. It continues to serve in an advisory capacity through its professional staff and its president, Martin Luther King, Jr., symbol of the students' nonviolent mass attack on segregation. Some of the most significant victories in the Sit-In Movement of southern college students have come as a result of the leadership and guidance of SCLC affiliates, e.g., Nashville Christian Leadership Council, Nashville, Tenn., Petersburg Improvement Association, Petersburg, Va., etc.

### **SCLC and Segregation**

SCLC is firmly opposed to segregation in any form that it takes and pledges itself to work unrelentingly to rid every vestige of its scars from our nation through nonviolent means. Segregation is an evil and its presence in our nation has blighted our larger destiny as a leader in world affairs. Segregation does as much harm to the *segregator* as it does to the *segregated*. The *segregated* develops a false sense of inferiority and the *segregator* develops a false sense of superiority, both contrary to the American ideal of democracy. America must rid herself of segregation not alone because it is politically expedient, but because it is morally right!

### **SCLC and Constructive Program**

SCLC's basic program fosters nonviolent resistance to all forms of racial injustice, including state and local laws and practices, even when this means going to jail; and imaginative, bold constructive action to end the demoralization caused by the legacy of slavery and segregation—inferior schools, slums, and second-class citizenship. Thus, the Conference works on two fronts. On the one hand, it resists continuously the system of segregation which is the basic cause of lagging standards; on the other hand, it works constructively to improve the standards themselves. There **MUST** be a balance between attacking the causes and healing the effects of segregation.

### **SCLC and the Beloved Community**

The ultimate aim of SCLC is to foster and create the 'beloved community' in America where brotherhood is a reality. It rejects any doctrine of black supremacy for this merely substitutes one kind of tyranny for another. The Conference does not foster moving the Negro from a position of disadvantage to one of advantage for this would thereby subvert justice. SCLC works for integration. Our ultimate goal is genuine intergroup and interpersonal living — *integration*. Only through nonviolence can reconciliation and the creation of the beloved community be effected. The international focus on America and her internal problems against the dread prospect of a hot war, demand our seeking this end.

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1 - Mr. Sullivan 1 - Liaison

November 27, 1963


BY COURIER SERVICE

Honorable P. Kenneth O'Donnell  
Special Assistant to the President  
The White House  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. O'Donnell:

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED  
HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED  
DATE 12/4/79 BY 9813 RDI/aly

A highly sensitive source of this Bureau who has furnished reliable information in the past advised that on November 23, 1963, Clarence B. Jones, who had failed in his attempted contact with Martin Luther King, Jr., at Atlanta, Georgia, prepared, in King's absence, a statement which he claimed "Martin" wanted for the "Herald Tribune." The statement, which decried the loss of President Kennedy, indicated that the murder of the President, regardless of the identity of the assassin, occurred "in a context of violence and hatred which has been boiling up in our Nation for the past several years." It further stated that the Negro protest which became a revolution last year will not now dissolve. The statement indicated that King had previously met President Lyndon B. Johnson and that King thinks he, President Johnson, realizing that civil rights is the dominating domestic issue and guided by a correct appraisal of realities, will be equipped to be effective in getting Congressional results.

  
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This information is also being furnished to the Attorney General.

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1-100-407018 (Jones)  
1-100-106670 (King)

Sincerely yours,  
DECLASSIFIED 6029  
ON 11/4/79 by [signature]

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Honorable P. Kenneth O'Donnell

NOTE:

Correspondence classified "Secret" as information utilized was furnished by [REDACTED] a highly sensitive source. Unauthorized disclosure of this information could tend to reveal the identity of the source, thereby resulting in serious damage to the Nation. Information received in New York teletype to Bureau 11/24/63. b(2) b7(D)

See memorandum Baumgardner to Sullivan dated 11/26/63 captioned "Communist Party, USA, Negro Question, Communist Influence in Racial Matters, Internal Security - C," RCD:eeb.

SAC, Atlanta

11/25/63

Director, FBI (100-3-116)

PERSONAL ATTENTION

COMMUNIST PARTY, USA  
NEGRO QUESTION  
COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN RACIAL MATTERS  
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

1 - Mr. Forayth

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Previous correspondence between the Bureau and your office has highlighted the important role which Reverend Martin Luther King, Jr., plays in the Negro movement and the communist influences which are brought to bear upon him. Your office has been effecting sensitive coverage relating to King.

As King more and more travels about the country as a leading spokesman for the Negroes and as the communist influences upon him continue, it is more than ever imperative that the Bureau be currently apprised of his travels and activities. You should, therefore, promptly effect necessary planning and place into operation procedures needed to keep the Bureau promptly advised in all instances of King's travels and activities. Leads should be set out to other offices by the most prompt means appropriate under the circumstances.

It will be absolutely imperative, however, that no action be taken by your office or any other office which would make King knowledgeable as to any coverage being afforded him and that absolutely no action be taken that could cause embarrassment to the Bureau.

The foregoing should be given your closest personal attention.

1 - New York (151548)

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ON 11-14-80

Mr. W. C. Sullivan

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November 21, 1963

Mr. F. J. Baumgardner

1 - Mr. Belmont  
1 - Mr. Evans  
1 - Mr. Rosen  
1 - Mr. Sullivan  
1 - Mr. Bland  
1 - Mr. Baumgardner  
1 - Mr. Morley

COMMUNIST PARTY, USA  
NEGRO QUESTION  
COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN RACIAL MATTERS  
INTERNAL SECURITY - COMMUNIST

CLASS. & EXT. BY 11/21/83  
REASON: FCIM, I, 1-2.4.2  
DATE OF REVIEW 11/21/83

I thought you would be interested in the following important developments in our investigation of the communist influence in racial matters:

Martin Luther King Receives Speech Writing Help From Stanley Levison

New York teletype today (11/21/63) reported a summary of a speech delivered by King 10/23/63 at Madison Square Garden, New York City, before the 30th anniversary meeting of District 65, Retail, Wholesale and Department Store Union, American Federation of Labor-Congress of Industrial Organizations. In the speech, King, among other things, urged that the Union work for strong civil rights legislation. He said that a year ago President Kennedy gave "the finest speech on civil rights any Chief Executive has ever delivered." King, however, criticized the Attorney General for his retreat from a strong civil rights bill and called on the Administration to give a strong bill fighting support.

The above expressions of King tie in with previous information we had that Secret Party member Stanley Levison and Clarence Jones, who is part of the King movement and has been serving as an intermediary between King and Levison, may well have prepared the King speech in question. On 10/16/63 King was in contact with Jones relative to King's 10/23/63 speech and requested Jones to get some material together with their mutual friend (we know from many references to "mutual friend" by King and Jones that their reference is to Stanley Levison). Jones told King that "they" would work on the matter on the weekend. Physical surveillance by our Agents placed Jones in the Levison residence on Saturday, 10/19/63, from 10:59 a.m. to 3:55 p.m. Specifically as to the civil rights legislation aspects of the speech, [redacted] advised that in a conversation between King's secretary and Jones, the secretary stated that the speech had been received and that she had read it to King. She stated that King would like two or three additional paragraphs on the present civil rights legislation concerning whether they should support a stronger or weaker bill. Jones indicated to the secretary that he would work on it.

Enc.

100-3-116  
1 - 100-106670 (Martin Luther King)  
1 - 100-392452 (Stanley Levison)  
1 - 100-407018 (Clarence Jones)  
1 - 100-158700 (Bayard Rustin)

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Memorandum to Mr. Sullivan  
RE: COMMUNIST PARTY, USA  
NEGRO QUESTION  
COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN RACIAL MATTERS  
100-3-116

A highly sensitive and anonymous-type investigative technique concerning Levison was used by our New York Office on 10/19/63 and 10/21/63 but proved negative.

OBSERVATIONS:

While we would expect King to discuss civil rights legislation in his current speeches, the fact that he sought advice from Jones as to what position he should take on such legislation lends strong support to the fact that King still receives advice from Levison. It is probably no coincidence that the line taken by King in his speech follows the current Party line relative to civil rights legislation.

King, Levison and Jones Rendezvous at New York City 11/20/63

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New York teletype 11/20/63 reported information from [redacted] that King, Levison and Jones would meet at the Idlewild Airport during a brief King layover en route from upstate New York to Chicago. Levison and Jones wanted to discuss with King a book by the latter. On 11/20/63 our Agents observed King enter the International Hotel at Idlewild 10:43 a.m.; Levison and Jones were observed entering the Hotel 11:05 a.m. At 2:40 p.m., King, Levison and Jones departed Hotel together and King separated from the other two.

Bayard Rustin [redacted]

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[redacted] He was the Deputy Director of the 8/28/63 March on Washington and has publicly admitted prior communist connections. Recently the Party's National Secretary, Benjamin J. Davis, had indicated a frequent liaison with Rustin, who is also being considered for a position with the Southern Christian Leadership Conference which King heads.

OBSERVATION:

We are obtaining the details of Rustin's conversation and will explore the possibility of some counterintelligence tactic to further discredit Rustin [redacted]

RECOMMENDATION:

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The attached letter to the Attorney General go forward advising of the 11/20/63 rendezvous of King, Jones and Levison and advising of the details of the speech writing help Levison rendered to King.

# Memorandum

DECLASSIFIED BY *SP4 JAR*ON *11-14-82*

DATE: 11/1/83

TO : MR. TOLSON

FROM : A. H. Belmont *Walt*cc Mr. Belmont  
Mr. Evans

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SUBJECT: COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN  
THE NEGRO MOVEMENTCLASS. BY *SP4 JAR*REASON FOR CLASS. *11/1/83*DATE *11/1/83*~~SECRET~~

This morning AAG Marshall furnished the attached file of correspondence with Senator Richard B. Russell of Georgia, concerning the association of Hunter Pitts O'Dell with Martin Luther King. Senator Russell wrote to the Director on 7/27/63, referring to a newspaper article on O'Dell and asking for verification that O'Dell was a communist. The Director wrote back promptly and referred the Senator to the AG. The Senator complains vigorously that the AG has not given him the courtesy of an answer.

AAG Marshall has attached a proposed reply to Senator Russell over the AG's signature. Marshall advised that this proposed letter, together with two other drafts, was discussed with the President last evening by the AG and Marshall. They considered one draft which, in effect, told Senator Russell nothing. The second draft is the one attached. The third proposed letter volunteered additional information about King's association with Stanley Levison, King's other communist contact in NY. *DD*

Marshall stated that after discussing the matter the President was of the opinion that information concerning Levison should not be volunteered, but that the AG should respond to the inquiry about O'Dell. Marshall pointed out that the President, of course, did not approve the detailed language of the letter, but just the over-all idea that the response should be comprehensive. *@*

In furnishing this material to us, Marshall asked that we consider the language for the purpose of determining whether it would jeopardize our informant or otherwise interfere with our investigation of communist matters.

I have looked over this letter and consider it most undesirable from the Bureau's standpoint in that it refers to sensitive sources available to the FBI; to conferences with the FBI about the sensitivity of our source; to still another conference with the FBI about O'Dell; and again refers to the sensitivity of our source, with a statement that after consulting with the Bureau the AG is classifying the proposed letter. In addition, on page 3 the proposed letter states that the Bureau was instructed some time ago to intensify its efforts

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regarding communist infiltration of Negro and civil rights groups. We didn't need to be told to intensify our efforts; we had already done so.

I think it is most undesirable to refer to the Bureau's source and its sensitivity, and that the AG can accomplish his purpose by removing references to such items. I have changed in red pencil a Xerox copy of the letter, in a manner that I think would be satisfactory to us. If you agree, Mr. Evans will advise AAG Marshall that the letter, as written, would constitute a grave danger to an exceedingly valuable source to the country, and suggest the changes which I have indicated on the Xerox copy.

OR but the letter still  
"clears" King

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Mr. Hoover agrees  
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Date: 11/18/63

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-3-116)  
FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (100-151548)  
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ReNYairtel to Bureau, 11/8/63.

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are ten copies of a letterhead memorandum dated 11/15/63. A copy is being sent to Atlanta for information.

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- (5-Bureau (100-3-116) (Encl. 10) (RM)
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  - (1-100-106670) (MARTIN LUTHER KING)
- 1-Atlanta (Encl. 1) (RM)
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- 1-New York (100-136585) (MARTIN LUTHER KING) (414)
- 1-New York (105-20257) (JOEY ADAMS)
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A physical surveillance was conducted at the Waldorf - Astoria Hotel on the evening of 11/14/63, by SAS [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] CLARENCE JONES, b7(c) STANLEY LEVISON and MARTIN LUTHER KING were not observed.

This letterhead memorandum has been classified secret because it contains information from [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]. These sources have furnished highly sensitive information with respect to the racial situation in the New York area and Communist infiltration thereof, and it is felt that this classification is necessary in order not to jeopardize the valuable positions of the informants in furnishing information of this nature. b(2) b7(D)

On 11/15/63, a physical surveillance was conducted by SAS [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] at 1050 Fifth Avenue, b7(c) New York City. CLARENCE JONES was observed entering the building at 5:05 PM. No other pertinent information developed.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to  
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New York, New York  
November 18, 1963

RE: Martin Luther King, Jr.  
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On October 30, 1963, a confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, furnished information which indicated that Clarence Jones was in contact with Joey Adams on that date. Adams said he wanted to give a party in honor of Martin Luther King, Jr., on November 15, 1963. Adams said he would invite the "right people" among whom would be "millionaires, reporters, senators, and the governor." It was indicated that this affair would lay the groundwork for future donations.

*[REDACTED]* which indicated that Martin Luther King, Jr., was in contact with Jones on that date. During the course of their conversation, King talked to Jones about the advisability of cancelling the party which Joey Adams was planning for him on November 15. King mentioned that this date would conflict with his plans. Jones told King that if it was not for the money which Adams can raise for King, he would not care about cancelling the affair.

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furnished information which indicated that Adams and Jones had a discussion on that date. Adams spoke of the party which he was having for Martin Luther King, Jr., and during the course of this discussion, Jones agreed to be a co-host at this affair. Jones said he would attempt to get James Baldwin, the author, to attend. Adams mentioned that he had raised \$8,000 for travel expenses. Jones said that he has impressed upon King that this party would be the most important thing he can do in this area.

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furnished information which indicated that there was to be "A Salute to Martin Luther King's Mother" to be held at the Sert Ballroom, Waldorf-Astoria Hotel, at 6 p.m. on November 14, 1963. There was no indication that Martin Luther King, Jr., would attend.

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furnished information that Clarence Jones made an effort to contact King at several hotels in the New York area on the evening of November 14, 1963, but was unsuccessful in reaching him. Among the hotels where Jones tried to contact King was the Waldorf-Astoria.

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who has furnished reliable information in the past, furnished information that Joey Adams was to have a cocktail party on November 15, 1963, at 5 p.m. at his residence at 1050 Fifth Avenue. Martin Luther King, Jr., was expected to attend.

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that Martin Luther King, Jr.'s assistant attempted to contact Clarence Jones at the law office of Lubell, Lubell and Jones of which Clarence Jones is a partner on the afternoon of November 15, 1963. King's assistant said that King wanted to talk to Jones, and he mentioned that King would be leaving town within 15 or 20 minutes. He was advised that Jones was at lunch but an attempt would be made to contact him. King's assistant said that King could be reached at telephone number EL 5-3000, Extension 1302 and 1304.

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Re: Martin Luther King, Jr.  
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It is to be noted that telephone number EL 5-3000 is listed to the Waldorf-Astoria, 50th Street and Park Avenue, New York City. b(1)

 furnished information which indicated that Joey Adams was in contact with Clarence Jones on the afternoon of that date. Adams said he could not believe that Martin Luther King, Jr., would let him down by playing sick and not attending the party. Adams said he was sorry he had gotten "mixed up in this mess." Jones stated that King was very sick and will be in bed for at least ten days. Jones said King was on his way to Atlanta, but would stop en route in order to see his staff. c

Clarence Jones is the General Counsel for the Gandhi Society for Human Rights, 15 East 40th Street, New York City.

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The LYL has been designated pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

"Who's Who in America" of 1962-63 lists Joey Adams as a comedian and author.

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11/28/63

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To: SAC, Detroit  
From: Director, FBI

URRU  
RACIAL MATTERS

Re: airtel 11/27/63.

With regard to the reported threats against the lives of Reverend Martin Luther King, Jr., and Ray Wilkins of the NAACP as set forth in reairtel, the New York Office should advise Mr. Wilkins personally of the threat and should alert the New York City Police Department concerning the threat against Wilkins.

The Atlanta Office should limit its action to advising the Atlanta Police Department of the threat against Reverend Mr. King.

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NOTE:

See memo Rosen to Belmont dated 11/27/63.

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## Memorandum

TO : The Director

DATE: 11-8-63

FROM : N. P. Callahan

SUBJECT: The Congressional Record

Pages 20333-20334. Congressman Andrews, (D) Alabama, spoke regarding the use of a Government-rented car to transport Martin Luther King. Mr. Andrews stated "a couple of weeks ago Governor Wallace of Alabama and Sheriff Clark of Dallas County notified the Department of Justice that an FBI agent had rented a car from the Hertz Co. in Birmingham and had used that car to transport the Reverend Martin Luther King all over the State of Alabama." Congressman Andrews included with his remarks a letter he sent to the Attorney General, two letters he received from Assistant Attorney General Burke Marshall, and an article from the Washington Post of November 7, 1963, on this subject. The second letter from the Department to Congressman Andrews enclosed a statement which pointed out the following: "No car rented by the Department was used to drive Reverend King from Selma to Montgomery. However, a car rented by the Department and being used by a Department lawyer was loaned to a private citizen who subsequently drove Reverend King from Birmingham to Selma on October 15. During that time, the attorney, Thelton Henderson, remained in Birmingham. Nevertheless, the use of the car for unofficial business was contrary to Department of Justice regulations. It was also contrary to a statement which Mr. Henderson originally gave to the Department of Justice. Mr. Henderson came forward last night and voluntarily gave a correct account of what occurred. He has submitted his resignation to the Department and it has been accepted."

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In the original of a memorandum captioned and dated as above, the Congressional Record for was reviewed and pertinent items were marked for the Director's attention. This form has been prepared in order that portions of a copy of the original memorandum may be clipped, mounted, and placed in appropriate Bureau case or subject matter files.

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URGENT 11-7-63 11:35 AM KTF  
TO DIRECTOR /100-438794/  
FROM SAC, BIRMINGHAM /157-115/

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[REDACTED] WAS NOT AVAILABLE TO HIM AND HE HAD NO NOTES WHEREBY HE COULD  
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b7(D) WAS POSSIBLE INDIVIDUAL REPORTED IN CONTACT WITH KING WAS ONE JOEY  
ADAMS RATHER THAN JOEY BISHOP. [REDACTED] STATED IF [REDACTED] FURNISHED  
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1 - Mr. Belmont  
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1 - Mr. Sullivan

The Attorney General

November 27, 1963

Director, FBI

1 - Mr. Bland  
1 - Mr. Baumgardner  
1 - Mr. Denz

COMMUNIST PARTY, USA  
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A highly sensitive source of this Bureau who has furnished reliable information in the past advised that on November 23, 1963, Clarence B. Jones, who had failed in his attempted contact with Martin Luther King, Jr., at Atlanta, Georgia, prepared, in King's absence, a statement which he claimed "Martin" wanted for the "Herald Tribune." The statement, which decried the loss of President Kennedy, indicated that the murder of the President, regardless of the identity of the assassin, occurred "in a context of violence and hatred which has been boiling up in our Nation for the past several years." It further stated that the Negro protest which became a revolution last year will not now dissolve. The statement indicated that King had previously met President Lyndon B. Johnson and that King thinks he, President Johnson, realizing that civil rights is the dominating domestic issue and guided by a correct appraisal of realities, will be equipped to be effective in getting Congressional results.

Another confidential source who has furnished reliable information in the past has previously identified Clarence B. Jones as a person in a position of leadership in the Labor Youth League (LYL) (a communist youth organization) in late 1953 or early 1954. The LYL has been designated pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

This information is also being furnished to the Honorable P. Kenneth O'Donnell, Special Assistant to the President.

100-3-116

1 - The Deputy Attorney General

1 - Mr. Burke Marshall  
Assistant Attorney General

1 - Mr. J. Walter Yeagley  
Assistant Attorney General

1-Bufile 100-407018  
(Jones)  
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(King)

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See memorandum Mr. Baumgardner to W. C. Sullivan, same subject, dated 11-26-63, RCD:eeb.

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The Attorney General

Director, FBI

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.  
SECURITY MATTER - C

1 - Mr. Belmont  
1 - Mr. Mohr  
1 - Mr. Sullivan November 22, 1963  
1 - Mr. DeLoach  
1 - Mr. Evans  
1 - Mr. Rosen  
1 - Mr. Bland  
1 - Mr. Baumgardner  
1 - Mr. Forsyth

Enclosed herewith for your information is a memorandum dated November 18, 1963, captioned "Martin Luther King, Jr., Security Matter - C," which concerns the party scheduled by the well-known comedian Joey Adams in honor of Martin Luther King, Jr., on November 15, 1963.

As you were advised on November 8, 1963, King was invited to this party with the understanding that Adams would invite the "right people" and that there would be in attendance "millionaires, reporters, senators, and the governor." Recent information indicates that King was unable to attend this affair.

Enclosure

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1 - The Deputy Attorney General (Enclosure)

1 - Mr. Burke Marshall (Enclosure)  
Assistant Attorney General

1 - Mr. J. Walter Yeagley (Enclosure)  
Assistant Attorney General

NOTE:

This letter is classified "Secret" because it contains information from confidential informants, the disclosure of which could prove injurious to the national defense and result in serious damage to the Nation. The enclosure is a letterhead memorandum from New York dated 11/18/63.

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The Attorney General

November 26, 1963

Director, FBI

- 1 - Mr. Belmont
- 1 - Mr. Evans
- 1 - Mr. Rosen
- 1 - Mr. Sullivan
- 1 - Mr. Bland
- 1 - Mr. Baumgardner
- 1 - Mr. Morley

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On November 18, 1963, a representative of the publishers of the book of Martin Luther King, Jr., requested Stanley Levison to talk to both King and Clarence Jones about the editing of this book. On November 19, 1963, Jones advised Levison that King was not satisfied with the editing job and that he, Jones, and Levison would have to see King to get all the problems straightened out. Jones and Levison made plans to meet King at the International Hotel, Idlewild Airport, Queens, New York, at 11 a.m. on November 20, 1963.

At 10:43 a.m. on November 20, 1963, Special Agents of this Bureau observed King and his assistant, Bernard Lee, enter the International Hotel, Idlewild Airport, where Lee registered for Room 311. At 11:05 a.m. on November 20, 1963, Special Agents observed Levison and Jones enter this hotel and proceed to the third floor. At 2:40 p.m. on November 20, 1963, Special Agents observed King in the company of Levison and Jones departing the International Hotel. A group photograph of King, Levison and Jones was taken at this time.

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The Attorney General

Information noted above, in addition to the specific data concerning the observations of Bureau Agents, was supplied by sources who have furnished reliable information in the past.

Any further information received concerning this matter will be furnished to you.

1 - The Deputy Attorney General

1 - Mr. Burke Marshall  
Assistant Attorney General

1 - Mr. J. Walter Yeagley  
Assistant Attorney General

NOTE:

See memorandum Baumgardner to W. C. Sullivan, same caption, dated 11/25/63, SFP;kaj/rbm.

Correspondence is classified "Secret" as information which was included was received from highly sensitive sources [redacted] and [redacted]. The unauthorized disclosure of this information could reveal our sources and thus result in serious damage to the Nation. Information obtained from New York airtel and letterhead memorandum 11/21/63.

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Mr. W. C. Sullivan

November 25, 1963

Mr. F. J. Baumgardner

1 - Mr. Belmont  
1 - Mr. Evans  
1 - Mr. Rosen  
1 - Mr. Sullivan  
1 - Mr. Bland  
1 - Mr. Baumgardner  
1 - Mr. Morley

COMMUNIST PARTY, USA  
NEGRO QUESTION

COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN RACIAL MATTERS  
INTERNAL SECURITY - COMMUNIST

My memorandum to you 11/21/63 advised of the meeting on 11/20/63 between Martin Luther King, Stanley David Levison and Clarence Jones which took place at Idlewild Airport, New York City, and which was observed by our Agents. Levison is the secret Party member who has been counseling King and Jones is usually their intermediary in covert contacts.

New York airtel 11/21/63 and letterhead memorandum (LHM) of same date furnished details of the King-Levison-Jones rendezvous at Idlewild which concerned itself primarily with consultations about a book by King which is to be published. Notwithstanding trying circumstances, both from a climatic and security standpoint, our New York Agents were able to secure a photograph of the aforementioned three individuals. Attached is the photograph and the individuals, reading from left to right, are Levison, King and Jones. The LHM includes specific data concerning the observations of the Agents both when the trio entered the International Hotel and their departure.

OBSERVATION:

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ON 11-24-80 6074

This is the first instance of our being able to secure photographic evidence to support what might someday be Agents' testimony as to the alliance between King, Levison and Jones. Because the photograph is not too clear, it is not believed that a copy should be sent to the Attorney General, but it is believed that he should be apprised of the fuller details of the meeting between King, Levison and Jones as set out in the LHM and that he should also be told that a photograph is available to support Agents' observations.

RECOMMENDATION:

The attached letter to the Attorney General, with copies to the Deputy Attorney General and Assistant Attorneys General Marshall and Yeagley, go forward summarizing the information in the LHM and advising that a photograph is now available.

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1 - 100-106670 (King)

1 - 100-392452 (Levison)

1 - 100-407018 (Jones)

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI (100-3-116)

FROM SAC, INDIANAPOLIS (100-14063) (P)

COMMUNIST PARTY, USA  
NEGRO QUESTION  
COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN RACIAL MATTERS  
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ReBulet to IP 10/24/63.

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau is an account of the speech of  
Reverend MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. at South Bend, Indiana, on  
10/18/63 from the "South Bend Tribune", South Bend edition of  
10/19/63.



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## 3,000 Hear King's Brotherhood Pled

By KENNETH C. FIELD

Tribune Staff Writer

"We must live together as brothers or die together as fools," integration leader Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., warned Friday night.

Speaking before a racially-mixed audience of 3,000 persons at Stepan Center on the University of Notre Dame campus he added: "Science and technology have made today's world a neighborhood. We must make it a brotherhood."

Dr. King, president of the Atlanta-based Southern Christian Leadership Conference, described racial segregation as "morally wrong and sinful" and a "cancer in the body politic which must be removed."

He denounced a plea by Atty. Gen. Robert F. Kennedy last Tuesday before a Senate subcommittee for enactment of a watered-down civil rights legislation.

The 34-year-old Negro leader said he would rather have a strong civil rights bill presented to Congress and have it watered down later, than do as the administration is apparently doing now — watering the bill down before it reaches Congress.

### "Must Pass Legislation"

"I am absolutely convinced that if Congress does not pass meaningful civil rights legislation in this session, it will be given another payment on the plan to destroy the moral and ethical structure of the nation," said Dr. King.

At an earlier news conference King said he did not think Indiana could "boast of clean hands" in the field of race relations any more than other states.

He said he had hoped that one Indiana congressman would give support to civil rights legislation pending in Congress.

Asked to whom he was referring, Dr. King replied: "Does

a man named Halleck come from Indiana?" He was speaking of Rep. Charles A. Halleck of Rensselaer, the House Minority Leader.

### Demands Negro Police

King said Negroes in Birmingham would resume demonstrations which early this year led to bloody rioting unless 25 Negroes were added to the police force there.

He said the city budget had allocated funds for 20 additional policemen and "we believe they should be Negroes."

During his Stepan Center speech Dr. King again attacked the concept that legislation is

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South Bend Tribune,  
South Bend, Indiana

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Edition: Final

Author:

Editor: Franklin Schurz

Title: CP, USA, NEGRO  
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capable of bringing about racial equality.

"The law can't make you love me," he said, "but it can keep you from lynching me. Laws can't change the heart, but they can restrain the heartless."

"Morality cannot be legislated, but behavior can be regulated," he added.

#### Denounces Detractors

He accused racists of denouncing Negroes as uneducated, inferior people with criminal tendencies after first denying them the means for improving their lot.

"Using the results of segregation as a reason for continuing it is a tragedy . . . morally wrong and sinful," Dr. King asserted. And, he warned segregationists, "Be assured that we will wear you down by our capacity to endure suffering."

King said Negroes long ago broke from the edict of slavery. "We stand on the borderline of the promised land of integration. A new order has come into being."

"The old order is dead and the only uncertainty is how costly the segregationists will make the funeral."

#### Hits Superiority

He challenged Americans to forget the "sinful" notion that there are inferior and superior races; to develop a world perspective based on the oneness of brotherhood; to develop an action program geared to the realization "that the destiny of America is tied to the destiny of every nation."

During his press conference the integration leader said that white northerners who recent demonstrations in their own back yards have more deep-seated prejudices than they realized.

Dr. King arrived by plane at St. Joseph County Airport barely two hours before his 3:30 p.m. flight at Stepan Center. It was his first visit to South Bend.

He was escorted into the city by a motorcade of about 35 autos escorted by about 20 policemen on motorcycles and in police cars. The motorcade threaded its way to the Town Tower Motel where King held a brief press conference and left for a dinner at the First Methodist Church, 533 N. Main St.

#### Ches Illiteracy

At Stepan Center he was introduced by Rev. Bernard Lee, SCLC field secretary, after one of his top lieutenants, Wyatt Tee Walker, SCLC executive director addressed the crowd. Walker was introduced by Rev. Charles G. Rowlett, pastor of Pilgrim Baptist Church.

Walker, an articulate speaker on problems of the south, said that in one Mississippi county, 95 per cent of his residents can neither read nor write.

"This seems almost unbelievable in the United States," he asserted.

Rev. Bernard White, pastor of St. John Baptist Church, was master of ceremonies and William J. Brown, executive director of the South Bend Urban League, introduced special guests.

#### Choir Applauded

Organ solos were played by Louise Weaver Smothers and a combined church choir drew ringing applause with a rendition of the "Battle Hymn of the Republic."

Rev. Daniel Peil, pastor of St.

Augustine Catholic Church, introduced the invocation and Rev. Albert S. Sullivan of Temple Beth-El offered the benediction.

The fund-raising event was sponsored by the Citizens Civic Planning Committee. Mrs. Alpha Ganaway was event chairman and was assisted by Mrs. Martha Wilson who presented an award to Dr. King on behalf of Local 319, Amalgamated Clothing Workers of America. Proceeds benefited the Southern Christian Leadership Conference.



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November 26, 1963

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**[REDACTED]**  
Hanover, New Hampshire

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Dear **[REDACTED]**

Your letter of November 18, 1963, has been received.

While I would like to be of assistance to you, the FBI is strictly an investigative agency of the Federal Government and neither makes evaluations nor draws conclusions as to the character or integrity of any organization, publication or individual. Information contained in our files must be maintained as confidential in accordance with regulations of the Department of Justice. I hope you will not infer either that we do or do not have information in our files regarding the subjects of your inquiry.

I would like to point out that Karl Prussion assisted this Bureau by furnishing information on subversive activities from November, 1949, to July, 1958, during which time he was compensated. He was not, however, a Special Agent of the FBI. This Bureau is not in a position to comment in any way whatsoever on his actions or statements since these are personal ventures.

Sincerely yours,

L. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover  
3 5 Director

- Boston - Enclosure

See Bureau note next page.

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NOTE: [REDACTED] is not identifiable in Bufiles. Rustin has a lengthy criminal record in addition to his affiliation with the communist movement.

The Highlander Folk School (HFS) has been the subject of numerous allegations that it is a communist school and the headquarters of communism in Eastern Tennessee, due primarily to its racial character. These allegations have not been substantiated. The Bureau is cognizant of the numerous communist affiliations of personnel affiliated with the HFS. The Bureau has not investigated this organization. (61-7511-266, 267).

The editorials and articles which appear in "The Dartmouth" are unpredictable in nature. In March, 1951, an editorial appeared which was critical of the Director and the Bureau. In the same month a subsequent editorial appeared which praised the Director.

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November 18, 1963

Asst. Deputy Director  
F.B.I.  
Washington 25, D.C.

Dear Sir:

The Dartmouth has received some literature from governor Wallace surporting that Martin Luther King is a Communist, and a member of at least 60 front organizations. The main source for it is information is Karl Prussion, who claims to have been an undercover agent for the FBI from 1947 to 1959.

1. Was Prussion such an agent and did he receive such information.
2. What are Martin Luther King's communist affilia-  
tions, if any.
3. Is the Highlander Folk School in Monteagle, Tennessee a front organization?
4. What is Bayard Rustin's status if any, in the Communist movement and the civil rights movement? What communist influence is there if any in the civil rights movement?

Any answers you can give in full or in part would enable The Dartmouth to write a more accurate and informative article on the subject and any assistance would be greatly appreciated.

Yours truly,

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Via AIRTEL

AIR MAIL

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, DETROIT (157-New)

APPEARANCE OF MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.  
AT WESTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY,  
KALAMAZOO, MICHIGAN, 12/2/63  
RACIAL MATTERS

ATTENTION: Civil Rights Section, General Investigative  
Division

Enclosed are 8 copies of LHM re appearance of MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., at Western Michigan University, Kalamazoo, Michigan, 12/2/63.

A copy of this LHM is being designated for G-2, Detroit.

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In Reply, Please Refer to  
File No.

Detroit, Michigan  
November 27, 1963

Appearance of Martin Luther King, Jr.  
At Western Michigan University,  
Kalamazoo, Michigan, December 2, 1963

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The November 20, 1963, issue of "The Western Herald", a newspaper published by the students of Western Michigan University, contains an article which states in part, "Civil rights leader, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., will speak at Western Michigan University on December 2, 1963, in the first part of a three-part lecture series on 'The Conscience of America'.

"Dr. King, President of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference of Atlanta, Georgia, is best known for his efforts to integrate public facilities in Birmingham, Alabama. His topic at Western Michigan University will be 'Social Justice'.

"All speeches are scheduled for 8:00 P.M. at a place to be announced. Sponsors are the Western Michigan University Honors College, The University Assembly programs, and the student council."

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-106670)

FROM: SAC, ATLANTA (100-5586) (P)

SUBJECT: MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.  
SM-C  
(OO: Atlanta)

ReBulet to Atlanta, 11-4-63, and New York  
airtel to Bureau and Atlanta, 11-13-63.

Enclosed herewith for Savannah is one copy  
each of referenced communications.

Savannah is requested to cover the lead in  
referenced New York airtel since Washington, Georgia,  
is in that division.

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November 19, 1963

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b7(c) Ponca City, Oklahoma 74601

Dear [redacted]

Mr. Hoover read your letter of November 13th with enclosure, and asked me to advise you that information contained in the files of the FBI is confidential pursuant to regulations of the Department of Justice and is available for official use only.

Enclosed is some literature Mr. Hoover trusts you will find of interest. You may also wish to read his books, "Masters of Deceit" and "A Study of Communism." Copies may be available at your local library.

Sincerely yours,

Helen W. Gandy  
Secretary

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Let's Fight Communism Sanely!

Communism and The Knowledge To Combat It!

Bulwarks of Liberty

"You Versus Crime"

"An American's Challenge"

NOTE: Bufiles contain no information identifiable with correspondent. Here enclosure was a newspaper clipping with the picture of Martin Luther King attending the Highlander Folk School in Monteagle, Tennessee during Labor Day week-end of 1947. This has been brought to our attention on numerous occasions in the past.

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Ponca City Okla  
Nov 13 1963

Mr Edgar Hoover

Washington D. C.

Dear Mr Hoover,

Enclosed an article clipped from a publication  
sent me.

Will you please read the above mentioned  
article and if you have proof of its validity, why cant something  
be done? Is the president promoting communism in the U. S.  
together with Bob Kennedy who I consider one of our most  
dangerous men not only in Gov. but in U. S. Do you know  
Martin Luther King is a communist? If he is why cant something  
be done to stop him?

I have said from the first the negro movement was  
communist inspired, lead and encouraged by communist leaders  
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all know the colored race does not have finances to finance all they  
are and have been doing over the period of time they have been  
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Yours truly,

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Mr Edgar Hoover  
Washington D.C.

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Via AIRTEL \_\_\_\_\_  
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-106670)

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (100-136585)

SUBJECT: MARTIN LUTHER KING  
SM-C  
RACIAL MATTERS

Enclosed for the information of the Bureau are eight copies of a LHM dated and captioned as above. One copy is sent to Atlanta for information.

The "New York Times" for 11/10/63, page 181, carried an article captioned, "Catholic Group Honors Dr. King". Said article covers the award of the 1963 St. Francis Peace Medal to Rev. KING by the North American Federation of the Third Order of St. Francis, a national organization of one hundred thousand Roman Catholic clergymen and laymen.

Because of the nature of the award and the possibility of embarrassment to the Bureau, no sources were contacted in this matter.

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# Martin Luther King ... at Communist Training School



The above picture was made by an employee of the State of Georgia, at the Highlander Folk School in Monteagle, Tennessee during the Labor Day week-end of 1957. The photographer was sent to the Highlander Folk School by the Georgia Commission on Education. The Highlander Folk School was abolished by an act of the Legislature of the State of Tennessee at a later date because it was charged with being a subversive organization.

Those numbered in the picture are:

1. Martin Luther King, Jr., of the Montgomery boycott and the Birmingham riots. Karl Prussion, a counterspy for the FBI for twenty-two years, charges that Martin Luther King belongs to sixty Communist-front organizations — more than any Communist in the United States. He is promoted and encouraged by the Kennedys.
2. Abner W. Berry of the Central Committee of the Communist Party.
3. Aubrey Williams, President of the Southern Conference Education Fund, Inc., The Transmission Belt in the South for the Communist Party.
4. Myles Horton, Director of Highlander Folk School for Communist Training, Monteagle, Tennessee.

These "Four Horsemen" of racial agitation have brought tension, disturbance, strife and violence in their advancement of the Communist doctrine of "racial nationalism."

WILLIAM H. BONE, D.D., a featured speaker at anti-semitic extreme civil rights



FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to  
File No.

New York, New York  
November 12, 1963

Bureau 100-106670

Re: Martin Luther King  
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Racial Matters

On November 9, 1963, Reverend Martin Luther King received the 1963 St. Francis Peace Medal in recognition of his non-violent civil rights campaign.

According to the "New York Times", November 10, 1963, the medal was presented by the North American Federation of the Third Order of St. Francis, a national organization of 100,000 Roman Catholic clergymen and laymen. The Order, according to the "New York Times", is a worldwide organization dedicated to strengthening Christian standards of living.

King received the medal at a luncheon attended by 700 persons at the Statler Hilton Hotel, New York City. The award was presented by the Reverend Philip Marquard of the federation executive council. Father Marquard, in presenting the medal, stated that there had been many objections, in good faith, to the Order's bestowing an honor on King. But this indicates what confusion exists even in the minds of upright people, "and reflects just one of the problems Dr. King is faced with in his unselfish task".

Father Marquard expressed the hope that identifying the Order with King would be an aid in removing some obstacles from his path. He also said that it was the wish of the Order "to help in the education of the well meaning citizens of this country so they will understand a little more clearly, and break out of the prison of false prudence to take effective action in the arena of justice and charity for all citizens...."

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Re Martin Luther King  
Security Matter - C  
Racial Matters

In accepting the medal, Dr. King said that the award was the first he had received from a Catholic group and as such was "dear and meaningful" to him. King said that race relations had reached a crisis stage in this country with "a collision of the forces of liberation and the forces of domination". He declared that the challenge was to make the principle of democracy and Christian ethics a reality. He also indicated that before the racial problem could be solved, two myths must be dispelled. One of these is "the myth of time", that if the country would only wait long enough the problem would solve itself.

A second myth was that "legislation can't solve this problem".

"It may be true", King said, "that morality can't be legislated, but behavior can be regulated. It may be true that law can't make a man love me, but it can keep him from lynching me".

THE DIRECTOR

November 7, 1963

N. P. CALLAHAN

THE CONGRESSIONAL RECORD

The Congressional Record for Wednesday, November 6, 1963, has been reviewed and the following items contained therein have been noted for your attention.

HOUSE

Pages 20091-20092. Congressman Roberts, (D) Alabama, spoke concerning the replies he received from Assistant Attorney General Burke Marshall regarding his inquiry into the use of cars rented by Justice Department personnel to drive Martin Luther King in Selma and Dallas County, Alabama. He said that on October 30, 1963, Mr. Marshall categorically denied the allegations. Mr. Roberts stated "Today, Mr. Speaker, I received another communication from Mr. Marshall enclosing a statement correcting the inaccurate information furnished me under date of October 30, 1963." Congressman Roberts further stated "It would appear, Mr. Speaker, that an agency of the Government and particularly a law enforcement agency such as the Justice Department would, prior to rendering a report such as the one submitted to me by Mr. Marshall, and which I ask to be inserted immediately following my remarks, would make a thorough investigation of the facts before writing a Member of Congress. However, I submit, Mr. Speaker, that perhaps this is a typical example of the operations of this Department which has used equipment, manpower and resources to aid racial agitators in my native Alabama without legal authority. If there are violations or threatened violations of Federal laws, the Justice Department should be present, but to place equipment and resources at the disposal of agitators is to put the Federal Government in the position of encouraging unlawful and uncalled for rioting, strife and racial unrest."

- 1 - Mr. Tolson - with enclosure
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-3-116)-

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (100-151548)

SUBJECT: COMMUNIST PARTY, USA  
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Re New York teletype to Bureau, 11/5/63.

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are 11 copies of a letterhead memorandum dated 11/6/63. Enclosed herewith for WFO are two copies of the letterhead memorandum dated 11/6/63, inasmuch as WFO has a lead in this matter.

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1 - 100-407018 (CLARENCE JONES)  
1 - 100-106670 (MARTIN LUTHER KING)  
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1 - New York (100-73250) (CLARENCE JONES) (414)  
1 - New York (100-136585) (MARTIN LUTHER KING) (414)  
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Records of the [REDACTED]  
were reviewed by SA [REDACTED] on 4/25/62.

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This letterhead memorandum has been classified "Secret", because it contains information from [REDACTED]. This source has furnished highly sensitive information with respect to the racial situation in the New York area, and the Communist infiltration thereof, and it is felt that this classification is necessary in order not to jeopardize the valuable position of the informant in furnishing information of this nature.

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On November 5, 1963, a confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, furnished information which indicated that on that date, Clarence Jones told his secretary, Jo Ann McCloud, at the law office of Lubell, Lubell and Jones, of which Clarence Jones is a partner, to call Louis Martin, Vice Chairman of the Democratic National Committee in Washington, D.C., and make arrangements for an appointment on November 6, 1963, for himself and Harry Wachtel. He told her to tell Louis Martin that the meeting was being made at the request of Martin Luther King and that the meeting was urgent.

McCloud made arrangements with Louis Martin for Jones and Wachtel to meet with him at 2:00 PM, on November 6, 1963, at 1730 K Street, Washington, D.C.

Clarence Jones is the General Counsel for the Gandhi Society for Human Rights, 15 East 40th Street, New York City.

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Harry H. Wachtel is the Special Counsel  
for the Gandhi Society for Human Rights.

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reflect that Harry Herzhaft Wachtel, 2184 New  
York Avenue, Brooklyn, New York, was Chairman  
of the Number 6, Kings Highway, Brooklyn,  
Chapter of the American Veterans Committee  
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AMERICAN VETERANS COMMITTEE

A confidential source advised on November 4, 1946, that the Steering Committee of the Metropolitan Area Council of the American Veterans Committee, which is composed of all the chapters located in the New York area, had been captured by the Communists.

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Another confidential source, who was familiar with some phases of activity of the AVC and the CP, advised in May, 1953, that the Communists at one time controlled many chapters in New York and California, as well as the New York Council of the AVC. By controlling the New York Council, the Communists made the AVC a front organization.

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AMERICAN VETERANS COMMITTEE (CONT'D)

This source stated that it had been a Party directive to all veterans in the CP to join the AVC. In 1950, according to the source, the AVC adopted a resolution forbidding Communists to become members of the AVC and to enforce this new law and to counteract some of the unfavorable publicity that was directed at the AVC, the AVC brought JOHN GATES up on charges, which trial the Communists jammed and created a disturbance. The source stated that GATES, after much argument, admitted that he was a member of the CP.

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NATIONAL LAWYERS GUILD

The "Guide to Subversive Organizations and Publications", revised and published as of December 1, 1961, prepared and released by the Committee on Un-American Activities, United States House of Representatives, Washington, D.C., contains the following concerning the National Lawyers Guild:

"National Lawyers Guild

- "1. Cited as a Communist front.  
(Special Committee on Un-American Activities, House Report 1311 on the CIO Political Action Committee, March 29, 1944, p. 149.)
- "2. Cited as a Communist front which 'is the foremost legal bulwark of the Communist Party, its front organizations, and controlled unions' and which 'since its inception has never failed to rally to the legal defense of the Communist Party and individual members thereof, including known espionage agents.'  
(Committee on Un-American Activities, House Report 3123 on the National Lawyers Guild, September 21, 1950, originally related September 17, 1950.)
- "3. 'To defend the cases of Communist lawbreakers, fronts have been devised making special appeals in behalf of civil liberties and reaching out far beyond the confines of the Communist Party itself. Among these organizations are the \* \* \* National Lawyers Guild. When the Communist Party itself is under fire these offer a bulwark of protection.'  
(Internal Security Subcommittee of the Senate Judiciary Committee, Handbook for Americans, S. Doc. 117, April 23, 1956, p. 91.)"

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Submitted are nine copies of a LHM, dated and captioned as above, regarding the appearance of BEN DAVIS as speaker before the Marxist Discussion Club at City College of New York on 10/31/63.

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1 New York (100-128576; Marxist Discussion Club, CCNY)#41  
1 New York (100-143784; Eric Eisenberg )#421  
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1 New York (100-136585; Martin Luther King)#414

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In regard to the Counterintelligence Program, it is suggested that the following anonymous letter be mailed to the editor of "The Worker" at 23 West 26th Street, New York, N.Y:

Dear Sir:

On October 31, 1963, I attended the meeting of the Marxist Discussion Group at City College at which Ben Davis spoke in regard to the Negro Revolution in the U.S.A.

I was amazed at the statements made by Davis which were in direct contradiction to my impressions. Davis indicated that there is no Communist leadership in the Negro revolution and that the only Communist influence was that the Negro leaders copied some Communist tactics such as mass action and sit-ins.

I am astounded that at this point the Communist Party admittedly has done nothing during the greatest social revolution in the history of the United States.

What do you need to come alive?

Comradely yours,

A Student from City College

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Communist Party, USA  
Public Appearances of Communist Party Leaders

Davis stated the civil rights movement should be non-violent and he agrees with the principles of Reverend Martin Luther King in this regard.

Davis felt that since the President was not protecting the people in the Southern States, committees should be formed to protect the Negro people, which could be armed committees.

Though the movement is continually getting more white "allies," more are still needed. He stated a lot of white youth are helping out and more of them are needed.

Davis stated the leadership of this American revolution is not Communist led. The people in leadership are dedicated men and are capable of doing a good job without being Communist. While the leadership is not Communist, he knows that many of the tactics of the movement are semi-communistic tactics, since Communists believe in mass action and direct action, such as sit-ins. The movement is getting large groups together and acting as one group.

A question and answer period followed Davis' speech.

The source also stated that Davis was well received by the audience of about 130 students. There was no standing ovation for him but he was received with more than the usual amount of applause.

A characterization of the Marxist Discussion Club, CCNY, is attached.

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A source advised on November 1, 1963 that a meeting of the Marxist Discussion Club, City College of New York (CCNY) was held on the campus in Finley Hall, Room 217, at CCNY, 139th Street and Convent Avenue, New York City, N.Y., on October 31, 1963, at 12:15 p.m.

Eric Eisenberg, Chairman of the meeting, introduced guest speaker Ben Davis as a Communist leader.

Davis spoke for about 45 minutes on the topic of "The Negro Revolution in the U.S.A." He stated in regard to the multi-class nature of the present movement, that we are living in a revolution. This revolution is not just being led by the Negro people. It is an American revolution for the benefit of civil liberties of both the Negro and the white. He indicated that he does not like the action of President John F. Kennedy on civil rights. He felt the President should do more for the protection of civil rights and should not compromise on a strong civil rights bill.

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Communist Party, USA  
Public Appearances of Communist Party Leaders

A characterization of Advance Youth  
Organization is attached.

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All sources used in this memorandum and in the attached  
Appendix pages have furnished reliable information in the  
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ADVANCE YOUTH ORGANIZATION

A source advised on February 18, 1960, that Advance, An Organization of Progressive Youth, was founded in New York City on February 13, 14, 1960.

A second source advised on March 2, 1960, that, according to the Secretariat of the Communist Party, United States of America (CPUSA), the Declaration of Principles adopted at the founding convention of Advance were essentially the line of the leadership of the CPUSA.

A third source stated in December, 1961, that at a meeting of Communist Party (CP) members of Advance, held on December 20, 1961, MARVIN MARKMAN declared that Advance had been initiated by the CP as a Marxist-Leninist youth organization.

The third source furnished information on January 28, 1963, reflecting that at the Third Annual Convention of Advance, held in New York City, on October 13, 1962, the name of the organization was changed to Advance and Burning Issues Youth Organizations (A-BI). This action was taken because Burning Issues (BI), a separate youth organization, organized in New York City, in May, 1961, as a discussion club, became an affiliate of Advance.

A fourth source advised on June 26, 1963, that at a meeting of the City Board of A-BI, held on June 25, 1963, it was voted to disassociate BI from the Advance organization.

This source advised further, on July 11, 1963, that the membership of BI met in New York City, on July 10, 1963, and voted to dissolve.

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ADVANCE YOUTH ORGANIZATION (CONT'D.)

The fourth source stated on August 15, 1963, that A-BI is now known as Advance Youth Organization, and continues to maintain headquarters at 80 Clinton Street, New York City. Principal officers are MIKE STEIN, President, and MARVIN MARKMAN, Vice President.

The third source advised on January 4, 1963, that MIKE STEIN is a member of the New York State Youth Coordinating Committee, New York District, CPUSA; while MARVIN MARKMAN is a member of the National Youth Commission, CPUSA.

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MARXIST DISCUSSION CLUB  
CITY COLLEGE OF NEW YORK

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On May 18, 1961, a source advised that the Marxist Discussion Club (MDC) of City College of New York, 139th Street and Convent Avenue, New York City, is a student organization which was formed several years ago by the students for the purpose of conducting a balanced program of pro-Marxist and anti-Marxist speakers, and to hold discussions about Marxism.

The source stated that the MDC holds a charter at the College as a recognized campus activity, must conform to the rules of the College, and is entitled to the same privileges of all student organizations.

The source stated that although not all members of the MDC are sympathetic with the Communist Party (CP), the MDC seems to attract many students with such sympathies, and has often chosen as its faculty advisor a member of the faculty who at one time or another has gained some notoriety in connection with CP front organizations.

On May 14, 1963, a second source advised that the MDC is comprised of "Stalinists" and the children of CP members together with the youth of the CP periphery. The source stated that the club is reportedly the strongest CP youth force on the campus and is supposed to be the strongest CP oriented youth club existing at any College in New York City at the time. The activities of the club comprise of demonstrations in behalf of civil liberties and the peace movements.

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# Memorandum

TO : Mr. Belmont

DATE: 11-1-63

FROM : C. A. Evans

SUBJECT: COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN  
THE NEGRO MOVEMENT

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Assistant Attorney General Marshall was contacted with reference to the letter which had been drafted to Senator Russell for the AG's signature. The undesirable language in this letter referring to sensitive FBI sources was discussed with Marshall. He said that he could see our point but that since this was the AG's letter which had already been discussed with the President, he thought we should go up and see the AG about it.

The AG read the letter with the proposed deletions and said he was not certain that it would accomplish the purpose. He called the President and told him that I had come into his office with Burke Marshall about the letter and objected that it might result in the disclosure of a very valuable Bureau source. He read the revised letter to the President who was not satisfied. The AG and Burke Marshall then redrafted the letter three times. As each draft was completed, the AG telephoned the President and read the proposal to him. None of the drafted letters were apparently acceptable. <sup>At</sup> the conclusion of the last telephone conversation, The AG said the President had advised that an innocuous letter should be sent to Senator Russell which should be delivered by Assistant AG Marshall and me. At the time the letter was delivered, Marshall was to furnish the Senator orally with the detailed information as to the Department's contacts with Martin Luther King. I was merely to assure the Senator as to the sensitive position of our informant and the fact that information from this informant of a continuing nature was vital to the country's welfare.

After the AG left for Boston, apparently as a result of further instructions from the President, it was decided Deputy AG Katzenbach would be substituted for Burke Marshall as Katzenbach kn. the Senator. An appointment with the Senator was made for 5:00 P.M., November 1.

On arrival at Senator Russell's Office, he received us cordially. Katzenbach delivered the letter to him, thereafter, he orally explained the nature of the contacts which the Department had had with King. It was unnecessary for me to say anything other than to confirm Katzenbach's statement about the sensitiveness of our source.

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- 1 - Mr. DeLoach

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Senator Russell stated that he had <sup>NOT</sup> intended to cause an issue over this matter. He pointed out that the "Atlanta Constitution," which he described as a newspaper more liberal than the "Washington Post" and the "New York Times" together, had published an article stating that Hunter Pitts O'Dell to be a communist. The Senator related that he had written a letter to the Director asking him about this. He said all he expected was that the Director just call him on the phone and discuss the matter. Instead, he received a letter from Mr. Hoover (the Senator stressed that he received this letter immediately) in which Mr. Hoover said that he had referred this matter to the AG. Russell went on to say that he waited and waited and did not hear anything from the Department. ~~He then~~ He then got a little angry and dispatched a follow-up communication to the AG asking him whether the AG had severed relations with the ~~Communist Party~~ <sup>Congress</sup>. Katzenbach apologized for the delay and noted that obviously the Senator had good cause for complaint. *handling*

*this shows wisdom of FBI promptness in handling*  
① Senator Russell said that he did not believe Martin Luther King himself was a communist, but that obviously the Negro Movement was ready made for exploitation by the Communist Party. It was on this basis that he made inquiry to find out whether, in fact, O'Dell is a communist. He indicated complete satisfaction with the explanation given to him by Katzenbach and said he did not intend to make any speech on the Senate Floor about this.

In leaving Senator Russell's Office, he was still in a very friendly mood and joked with Katzenbach about his TV performance in the confrontation with Governor Wallace at the University of Alabama.

It would appear that if the AG had been more prompt in handling Senator Russell's inquiry, this matter would not have been magnified into proportions finally reached.

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A review of the list of officers, staff members and secretaries of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC) as shown on the program of their Seventh Annual Convention held in Richmond, Virginia, in September, 1963, shows no one with a name resembling "Mr. EDVIN" or "Mr. EDVIAR." The Secretary is FRED SHUTTLESWORTH, a minister residing in Cincinnati, Ohio, and formerly from Birmingham, Alabama. KING's personal secretary is Miss DORA McDONALD. The secretary to the Program Director is Mrs. EDWINA SMITH. *REFERRAL*

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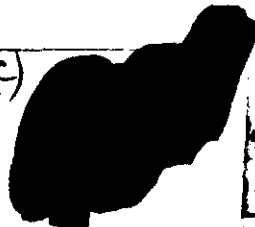
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1-Mr. [redacted] and  
1-Mr. [redacted]  
1-Mr. Sullivan  
1-Mr. Bland

1-Mr. Mosley

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November 20, 1963

The Attorney General

Director, FBI

COMMUNIST PARTY, USA  
NEGRO QUESTION  
COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN RACIAL MATTERS  
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

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ON 1-14-82

A confidential source who has furnished reliable information in the past advised that Reverend Martin Luther King, Jr., Stanley David Levison, and Clarence Jones planned to meet on November 20, 1963, at the Idlewild Airport, New York City. According to the source, Levison and Jones wanted to discuss with King a book by the latter. On November 20, 1963, Special Agents of this Bureau observed King entering the International Hotel at Idlewild Airport at 10:43 a.m.; Levison and Jones were observed entering the Hotel at 11:05 a.m. At 2:40 p.m., King, Levison and Jones departed the Hotel together, and King separated from the other two.

Levison has been described as a secret member of the Communist Party, USA. Jones is the General Counsel of the Gandhi Society for Human Rights, an organization formed by King to promote his aims. Jones has been a frequent intermediary in contacts between King and Levison.

As further evidence of a continuing King-Levison relationship, the following is noted concerning a speech delivered by King on October 23, 1963, at Madison Square Garden, New York City, before the 30th anniversary meeting of District 65, Retail, Wholesale and Department Store Union, American Federation of Labor-Congress of Industrial Organizations. In the speech, King, among other things, urged that the Union work for strong civil rights legislation. He said that a year ago President Kennedy gave "the finest speech on civil rights any Chief Executive has ever delivered."

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- 1-100-108670 (King)
- 1-100-392452 (Levison)
- 1-100-407018 (Jones)
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The Attorney General

King, however, criticized you by claiming you had retreated from a strong civil rights bill. King called on the Administration to give a strong bill, fighting support. \*

The foregoing ties in with other information this Bureau obtained indicating that Levison and Jones may well have prepared the King speech of October 23, 1963. The above-mentioned source advised on October 16, 1963, that King was in contact with Jones relative to King's speech scheduled for October 23, 1963, at which time King requested Jones to get some material together with their mutual friend. This Bureau has learned from many references made by King and Jones to "mutual friend" that their reference is to Levison. Jones told King that "they" would work on the matter on the weekend. Special Agents of this Bureau observed Jones entering Levison's residence in New York City at 10:59 a.m. on Saturday, October 19, 1963. Jones was observed departing from Levison's residence at 8:55 p.m., that date. \*

Specifically as to the civil rights legislation aspects of the speech, the above-mentioned source advised that on October 22, 1963, King's secretary was in contact with Jones and stated that the speech had been received and that she had read it to King. She stated that King would like two or three additional paragraphs on the present civil rights legislation concerning whether "they" should support a stronger or weaker bill. Jones said to her that he would work on it.

1 - The Deputy Attorney General

1 - Mr. Burke Marshall  
Assistant Attorney General

1 - Mr. J. Walter Yeagley  
Assistant Attorney General

NOTE: Source referred to is [REDACTED] Classified "Secret" because of the highly sensitive nature of this source with respect to the communist infiltration of racial matters.

See memorandum Mr. F.J. Baumgardner to Mr. W.C. Sullivan, 11-21-63, same caption, [REDACTED] b7(c)

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-3-116)

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DATE 12/7/79

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (100-151548)

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SUBJECT: COMMUNIST PARTY, USA  
NEGRO QUESTION  
COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN  
RACIAL MATTERS  
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Re New York airtel to Bureau, 11/4/63.

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are 11 copies of a letterhead memorandum dated 11/7/63. Two copies of this letterhead memorandum are also enclosed for WFO in view of the lead which WFO has in this matter.

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- ⑥ - Bureau (100-3-116) (Encls. 11) (RM)  
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(1 - 100-106670) (MARTIN LUTHER KING)  
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1 - New York (100-111180) (STANLEY LEVISON) (414)  
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Agents who observed JONES were [REDACTED]

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
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In Reply, Please Refer to  
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Bureau 100-3-116

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APPROPRIATE AGENCIES  
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DATE 12/27/77

Re: Communist Party, United States  
of America - Negro Question  
Communist Influence in Racial Matters  
Internal Security - C

On November 2, 1963, a confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, furnished information which indicated that Martin Luther King contacted Clarence Jones on that date. King said that he would be in Washington, D.C., on November 6, 1963, for an appearance at Howard University. Jones mentioned that he would also be in Washington on that date, and he suggested that they should get together either before or after King's appearance at Howard University in order to discuss a number of things including a matter pertaining to "our friend".

On November 6, 1963, Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) observed Clarence Jones at LaGuardia Airport, Queens, New York, at 10:53 A.M. At 10:56 A.M., Jones was observed boarding Eastern Airlines 11:00 A.M. Shuttle Service Flight for Washington, D.C. This flight was scheduled to arrive in Washington at 12:10 P.M. Jones boarded the plane by himself.

It is to be noted that it has been determined from the source mentioned above that in the past, when King and Jones referred to "our friend", they were referring to Stanley Levison.

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Re: Communist Party, United States  
of America - Negro Question  
Communist Influence in Racial Matters  
Internal Security - C



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 Stanley Levison was  
a secret member of the Communist Party,  
United States of America (CPUSA).

Clarence Jones is the General Counsel  
for the Gandhi Society for Human Rights,  
15 East 40th Street, New York City.



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FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (100-151548)

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SUBJECT: CP, USA  
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COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN RACIAL MATTERS  
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## UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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New York 100-151548

New York, New York

November 8, 1963

APPROPRIATE AGENCIES  
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Communist Party, United States of America

Negro Question

Communist Influence in Racial Matters

Internal Security - C

On November 4, 1963, a confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, furnished information which indicated that Stanley Levison was in contact with Clarence Jones on that date. Jones indicated that Martin Luther King wants to move ahead and go from Birmingham, Alabama to Danville, Virginia. Jones indicated that he feels things are not well enough prepared for this. Levison advised that if the plan is to move ahead to Danville, the book on Birmingham should be abandoned because the book deals with the success of Birmingham. Levison indicated he feels Birmingham will be a failure if the plan is to move on before the battle has been won. Levison said that "this is like a child who can't finish something and moves on to some other game." It was agreed that this should be discussed further.

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Communist Party, United States of America  
Negro Question  
Communist Influence in Racial Matters

The book referred to above is one which is currently being written on Martin Luther King's experiences in the civil rights struggle in Birmingham.

It is to be noted that King recently expressed a desire to go to Danville, Virginia, to take up the civil rights struggle there.



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Stanley Levison was a secret member of the Communist Party, United States of America (CP, USA).

Clarence Jones is the General Counsel for the Gandhi Society for Human Rights, 15 East 40th Street, New York City.



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## Memorandum

TO :

W. C. Sullivan

DATE:

1 - Belmont  
1 - Mohr  
1 - Sullivan  
November 7, 1963

FROM :

J. F. Bland

1 - DeLoach  
1 - Evans  
1 - Baumgardner  
1 - Bland  
1 - Forsyth

SUBJECT:

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.  
COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN RACIAL MATTERS

Mr. Tolson  
Mr. DeLoach  
Mr. Mohr  
Mr. Bishop  
Mr. Casper  
Mr. Callahan  
Mr. Conrad  
Mr. Felt  
Mr. Gale  
Mr. Rosen  
Mr. Sullivan  
Mr. Tavel  
Mr. Trotter  
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Information was received from Birmingham indicating one Joey Bishop, New York City, who was described as a personal friend of King had been in contact with King and had extended an invitation to King to attend a gathering of influential people, including several millionaires, at his (Bishop's) home during the weekend of November 8-9, 1963, or on November 16, 1963. Birmingham source, [redacted] named Bishop as being one of the celebrities King could call upon to assist in demonstrations in Birmingham.

New York reported a conversation on the same date in which Joey Adams was in contact with Clarence Jones saying he wanted to give a party in King's honor on November 15, 1963, and indicated that all the "right people" will be invited, including "millionaires, reporters, senators and the governor."

Because of the coincidence of names and material furnished, Birmingham and New York were requested to recontact their sources as to the accuracy of the names and information furnished. New York verified the information on Joey Adams by referral to their technical logs. Birmingham source, [redacted] was recontacted and [redacted] was not available for recontact but possibly the name could have been Joey Adams and not Joey Bishop.

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The information from Birmingham source is not verified and we have no way of checking the accuracy. For this reason, it is not believed the information regarding Joey Bishop should be disseminated, however, we are disseminating the information concerning the contact between Jones and Joey Adams.

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If you concur, the attached letter to the Attorney General, copies for the Deputy Attorney General, and Assistant Attorneys General Marshall and Yeagley should be sent.

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FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (100-136585)

SUBJECT: MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.  
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The indices of the NYO were checked for the names EDVIN and EDVAIR with negative results. The New York file of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC) was reviewed for any possible phonetic equivalent of these names, also with negative results.

"Crusader Without Violence" by L. D. REDDICK, a biography of MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., and "Stride Toward Freedom" by MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., were both reviewed. Both sources reflect the name EURETTA ADAIR as having been associated with KING during the Montgomery Bus boycott as a member of the Executive Board of the Montgomery Improvement Association (MIA). Mrs. ADAIR is described by KING in his book as the wife of a prominent Montgomery physician and a one time faculty member of Tuskegee Institute. KING indicated that in addition to being a member of the Executive Board of the MIA, she was also on the MIA Finance Committee and the Transportation Committee.

- 3 - Bureau (100-106670) (RM)
- 2 - Atlanta (RM)
- 1 - New York (100-136585) (414)

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A review of the 1963 Medical Directory reflects one MORGAN CHARLES ADAIR, Gordon Street, Washington, Georgia. Doctor ADAIR was born in 1915, attended Emory University School of Medicine in Georgia, receiving his M.D. in 1939.

Atlanta is requested to ascertain if the above mentioned ADAIR could possibly be "the secretary to MARTIN LUTHER KING" mentioned in referenced letter. ②

It is noted that New York indices are negative concerning ADAIR.

In view of the negative character of the above information, no letterhead memorandum is being prepared at New York.

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FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (100-151548)

SUBJECT: CPUSA  
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COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN  
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Re Birmingham airtel to Bureau, 10/31/63; New York airtel to Bureau 11/4/63, captioned, "COMINFIL SCLC."

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are ten copies of a letterhead memorandum dated 11/8/63.

Sources used in the letterhead memorandum are as follows:

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(1-100-106670) (MARTIN LUTHER KING)

1-Atlanta (Encl. 1) (RM)

1-Birmingham (157-115) (Encl. 1) (RM)

1-New York (100-73250) (CLARENCE JONES) (414)

1-New York (100-136585) (MARTIN LUTHER KING) (414)

1-New York (105-20257) (JOEY ADAMS)

1-New York (100-149194) (COMINFIL SCLC) (41)

1-New York (100-151548) (414)

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On 10/30/63, when JONES contacted JOEY ADAMS, ADAMS was at the Carelton Hotel, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. On 11/6/63, ASAC OLIVER MANSFIELD, Pittsburgh Office, pursuant to a request by the NYO, determined that JOEY ADAMS of 1050 Fifth Ave., NYC, had been registered at that hotel from 10/28/63 through 11/1/63. There was no record of JOEY BISHOP having been registered at that hotel on 10/30/63.

The foregoing information is being set forth in order that it might more clearly be established that it is JOEY ADAMS who is having a party for MARTIN LUTHER KING and not JOEY BISHOP.

This letterhead memorandum has been classified secret because it contains information from [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]. These sources have furnished highly sensitive information with respect to the racial situation in the New York area and the Communist infiltration thereof, and it is felt that this classification is necessary in order not to jeopardize the valuable position of the informant in furnishing information of this nature.

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## UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

( FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION )

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New York, New York  
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United States of America -  
Negro Question  
Communist Influence in  
Racial Matters  
Internal Security - C

On October 29, 1963, a confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, furnished information which indicated that Clarence Jones had a discussion with Martin Luther King on that date. During the course of their conversation, King mentioned that he had received an invitation from Joey Adams. King mentioned that he and his wife are planning on coming to New York on November 14th, and he mentioned he thought the best time for the party which Adams mentioned would be on November 15th. King said he does not know Adams. Jones stated he would look into the matter and let King know.

This same confidential source furnished information on October 30, 1963, which indicated that Clarence Jones was in contact with Joey Adams on that date. Adams said he wants to give a party in honor of Martin Luther King on November 15, 1963. Adams said he would invite

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the "right people" among whom would be the Governor, Senators, millionaires and reporters. Jones said he would talk to King. It was indicated that this affair would lay the ground work for future donations.

<sup>c</sup> [REDACTED] in the past, furnished [REDACTED] which indicated that King was in contact with Jones on that date. During the course of their conversation, King talked to Jones about the advisability of cancelling the party which Joey Adams was planning for him on November 15. King mentioned that this date would conflict with his plans. Jones told King that if it was not for the money which Adams can raise for King, he would not care about cancelling the affair. b(1)

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[REDACTED] furnished information which indicated that Adams and Jones had a discussion on that date. Adams spoke of the party which he is having for Martin Luther King and during the course of this discussion, Jones agreed to be a co-host at this affair. Jones said he would attempt to get James Baldwin, the author, to attend. Adams mentioned that he has raised \$8,000.00 for travel expenses. Jones said that he has impressed upon King that this party is the most important thing he can do in this area.

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[REDACTED] furnished information which indicated that Adams was again in contact with Jones on that date. It was agreed that they would only have King and his friends at the party being given for King and that they would not invite any of the other Negro leaders. Adams said he would send King a check to cover air transportation and

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hotel expenses. It was agreed that Jones and Adams should get together in the future for further discussions. Jones indicated that he would like to arrange for people like Adams to have a maximum opportunity to help. They were undecided as to whether the date of the party would be November 14 or 15.

"Who's Who in America" of 1962-63 lists Joey Adams as a comedian and author. His residence was listed as 945 Fifth Avenue, New York City, and his office was listed as 110 West 57th Street, New York City.

Clarence Jones is the General Counsel for the Gandhi Society for Human Rights, 15 East 40th Street, New York City.



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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-3-116)

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FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (100-151548)

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SUBJECT: CP, USA  
NEGRO QUESTION  
COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN RACIAL MATTERS  
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a letterhead memorandum, dated 11/4/63.

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    { 1 - 100-106670 } { MARTIN LUTHER KING }  
    { 1 - 100-392452 } { STANLEY LEVISON }  
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This letterhead memorandum has been classified "Secret," because it contains information from [REDACTED]. This source has furnished highly sensitive information with respect to the racial situation in the NY area and communist infiltration thereof, and it is felt that this classification is necessary in order not to jeopardize the valuable position of the informant in furnishing information of this nature.

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WFO

Consistent with maximum security, WFO should endeavor, UACB, to take such steps as might be feasible to determine the nature of the meeting between KING and JONES, since it will undoubtedly pertain to the relationship between KING and STANLEY LEVISON.

Enclosed for WFO is a copy of the LHM and one photo of CLARENCE JONES.

JONES plans to leave NYC, 11:00 A.M. on 11/6/63, and meet with Internal Revenue Service at 1:30 P.M. No specific information available on travel reservations.

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## UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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New York 100-151548SECRETCLASS. 12/4/79  
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SLIP(S) OF 12/1/79COMMUNIST PARTY, USA  
Negro Question  
Communist Influence in Racial Matters  
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DATE 9/3/79

On November 2, 1963, a confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, furnished information which indicated that Martin Luther King contacted Clarence Jones on that date. King stated that he would be in Washington, D. C., on November 6, 1963, for an appearance at Howard University. Jones mentioned that he would also be in Washington on that date, and he suggested that they should get together either before or after King's appearance in order to discuss a number of things including a matter pertaining to "our friend."

King indicated to Jones that he (King) would have to go into Danville, Virginia. He said that he really does not want to go in at this time, but he said that in order to boost morale he must go in as he had promised. He made the statement that if he loses Danville, he will lose all of Virginia. He advised that he will go to Danville on November 15, 1963, and is considering a new type of operation which he described as "operation dialogue." King said that he plans to have Negroes go in teams to the various business organizations and to the homes of white people in order to talk directly with the people. He indicated that if the people were not receptive to this method, he would resort to direct action by the end of the month.

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Jones said that he did not disagree with the decision, but he cautioned King about over-extending. King mentioned his concern about going into Danville, because he said that we have not cleared up things in Birmingham.

King mentioned that the press is now asking about the lull in the civil rights movement, and he said that it has been interpreted as a sign of battle weariness and financial problems. King suggested that perhaps the country needs another dramatic push but was not quite sure whether this should take place in the streets or if it should be faced politically. King said that at the present time Goldwater is certainly the front runner for the Republican Party, and he said that he (King) knows that Kennedy "is scared to death because of the civil rights issue." He said that the only salvation is for the Democratic Party to regain losses in the South by gains in the North.

Jones agreed with the foregoing remarks by King. King stated that he could not be partisan, but he mentioned that if they could get enough people registered to vote then the Republicans might be afraid to nominate Goldwater.

Jones mentioned that if the Gandhi Society gets a tax exempt status, they will be able to contribute large sums for voter registration. Jones said that he has an appointment with the Internal Revenue Service in Washington, D.C., this week to discuss the matter.

Jones stated that he and "our friend" have concluded that "the meaning" of the March on Washington was its unity, not its militancy and that perhaps the other march organizations should be called together again for support of another campaign.

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Clarence Jones is the General Counsel  
for the Gandhi Society for Human  
Rights, 15 East 40th Street, New York  
City.

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It is to be noted that it has been  
determined from the [REDACTED] that  
in the past when King and Jones referred  
to "our friend" they were referring to  
Stanley Levison.

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[Stanley Levison was  
a secret member of the Communist Party,  
United States of America (CPUSA).

Danville, Virginia, has been the scene  
of recent racial demonstrations.

The March on Washington, which took  
place in Washington, D. C., on  
August 28, 1963, was a civil rights  
demonstration.

The Gandhi Society for Human Rights  
was organized for educational and legal  
activity in the civil rights field,  
according to an article appearing in  
the "New York Herald Tribune" of  
October 22, 1962. Martin Luther King  
is the Honorary Chairman.

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MEMORANDUM TO MR. TOLSON

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MR. BELMONT  
MR. DE LOACH  
MR. ROSEN  
MR. SULLIVAN

Martin Luther KING

On October 28, 1963, the Attorney General called at my office and discussed a number of matters.

The first matter discussed was the [REDACTED] case and its various ramifications. I informed the Attorney General that we were daily receiving memoranda from the Criminal Division of the Department asking for additional investigations and we had given this particular matter top priority. b7(c)

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We then discussed the [REDACTED] case. I outlined to the Attorney General the details of this situation and the ramifications of it. b7(c)

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We then discussed the Birmingham bombing situation and I advised the Attorney General of the obstruction which the Alabama State Highway Patrol had placed in our way of what was then an early solution of the case, but that we were working intensely upon it and hoped ultimately to be able to bring about the apprehension of the persons responsible for the bombing of the church in which the four little girls were killed.

The Attorney General then mentioned the recent monograph on Communism in the racial situation. He stated that the Defense Department had advised him of it. I told him that he had also been furnished a copy at the same time that we had made distribution to the Defense Department, the White House, the Central Intelligence Agency, and the State Department. He stated that he was quite concerned about the contents because while it did not state that King was a Communist, nevertheless, one could quickly draw that conclusion. I told him that every statement made in the document was accurate and supported by facts.

He stated he of course realized this but felt that it would be desirable to recall all of the documents because he did not know who else might see it other than those to whom we had distributed the document. I told the Attorney General that his request would be immediately acted upon, and after the Attorney General left my office I communicated with Mr. Belmont and asked him to see that all copies of the document had been obtained and kept in security.

Very truly yours,

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John Edgar Hoover  
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FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (100-151548)

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Re: Communist Party,  
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On October 29, 1963, a confidential source who has furnished reliable information in the past furnished information which indicated that Clarence Jones was in contact with Martin Luther King on that date. Jones told King that he and their mutual friend had been favorably impressed by Wyatt Walker's brother as an individual. Jones said that in terms of the specific requirements of the New York Office, there did not appear to be anything in his background which would give him any special experience. Jones mentioned that Walker's brother was of the opinion that he could handle the job particularly after it had been indicated that he could call upon the assistance of "our friend" and himself (Jones). Jones also indicated that he and their friend had a cautious reaction about making this a permanent selection because there are so many specialized factors which one needs in doing the job.

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mentioned that Walker's brother comes from a background of church relationships and seems to be comfortable in that area. In view of this, it was suggested that Walker's brother, if he were to take the job in New York, he would initially seek to handle those responsibilities which Jack O'Dell had discharged; and that if he did it with the thought of moving away from that slightly and concentrating more in the church area of fund raising, it would give them additional time to get some other person who might have much more specialized qualifications. It was suggested to him that after he had been in the job for a period of time, he would move over from the Jack O'Dell type of work to the work of developing the fund raising base within the church community. King indicated that he would have to discuss the matter with Wyatt Walker.

Jones told King that he (King) and the organization should not feel in any degree "self-conscience" if in hiring a new person it is necessary to bring in Jack O'Dell to show the new person where certain things are and to acquaint him with certain procedures. He pointed out that this is a normal part of transition and that no one could criticize King for doing this.

With respect to the foregoing information, Martin Luther King previously asked Clarence Jones and their mutual friend to speak to Wyatt Walker's brother about the job in New York in order that Jones could give King a candid opinion of him.

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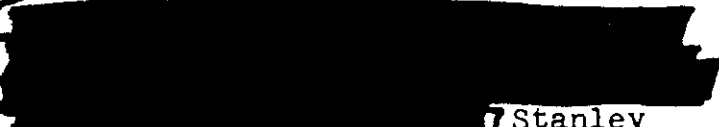
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Wyatt Walker is an Assistant to  
Martin Luther King in the Southern  
Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC).

It is to be noted that the New York  
Office of the SCLC has been seeking  
a person to fill the position of  
Administrator which formerly had  
been held by Hunter Pitts O'Dell.

It is to be noted that it has been  
determined from the source mentioned  
above that in the past when King  
and Jones referred to their mutual  
friend they were referring to Stanley  
Levison.

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Stanley  
Levison was a secret member of the  
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# Memorandum

TO : MR. BELMONT

DATE: October 25, 1963

FROM : C. A. EVANS

SUBJECT: COMMUNISM AND THE  
NEGRO MOVEMENT

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The Attorney General telephoned at approximately 10:15 a. m. He advised that he had tried to call the Director who was temporarily out of the building. The Attorney General stated he had just learned that the Army had received a copy of a report submitted to the Attorney General about the communist activities of Martin Luther King. The Attorney General was referring to the report captioned "Communism and the Negro Movement -- A Current Analyses," dated October 16, 1963. There is no question this is the report to which he is referring, although he persisted on calling it the report on the communist background of Martin Luther King.

The Attorney General said he would like to know what other dissemination was made of this report in addition to the Army and the purpose for such dissemination. He was obviously irritated. He went on to ask if the Army got copies of all reports submitted to him. I told the Attorney General that obviously the Army did not get copies of all reports we sent to him personally, but that there were hundreds of reports that did go to the Army that did not concern matters of sufficient importance to warrant the Attorney General's personal attention. I pointed out to him that we regularly submitted some type of reports in matters of current interest under our Internal Security jurisdiction, and that dissemination of these summaries was made to the military authorities as well as other top governmental officials because of responsibilities they have in this connection.

The Attorney General asked what responsibilities the Army had in relation to the communist background of Martin Luther King. I told the Attorney General the report went beyond this and that the Army had an interest in communist activities particularly in relation to racial matters because the military had to be called on if civil disturbances arising out of such matters went beyond the ability of the civilian authorities.

This explanation seemed to serve no purpose. The Attorney General said he still could not understand why we sent a report to the Army on King's communist activities. He reiterated his request for information as to the dissemination of the report in question and the purpose for it.

1 - Mr. Mohr  
1 - Mr. DeLoach

1 - Mr. Sullivan  
1 - Mr. Rosen

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Memorandum to Mr. Belmont  
RE: COMMUNISM AND THE NEGRO MOVEMENT

ACTION TO BE TAKEN:

We are getting together the facts regarding the dissemination of this report and the basis therefor which will be incorporated in a memorandum for the Attorney General.

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*I have talked to A.G.  
& he is satisfied.*

*K*

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The Attorney General

November 8, 1963

Director, FBI

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.  
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1 - Mr. Belmont  
1 - Mr. Mohr  
1 - Mr. Sullivan  
1 - Mr. DeLoach  
1 - Mr. Evans  
1 - Mr. Baumgardner  
1 - Mr. Bland  
1 - Mr. Forsyth

On October 30, 1963, Clarence Jones was in contact with Joey Adams, the well-known comedian and entertainment personality. Adams stated he wants to give a party in Martin Luther King's honor on November 15, 1963, and that the "right people" will be invited. He suggested that there would be in attendance "millionaires, reporters, senators, and the governor." No further details are known about the party and who would attend.

Clarence Jones is General Counsel for the Gandhi Society for Human Rights. He has been identified as being a member and a person who held a leadership position in the Labor Youth League in the mid-1950's.

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- 1 - The Deputy Attorney General
- 1 - Mr. Burke Marshall  
Assistant Attorney General
- 1 - Mr. J. Walter Yeagley  
Assistant Attorney General

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- 1 - 100-438794 (Cominfil of SCLC)

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The Attorney General

NOTE:

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See memorandum Bland to Sullivan, 11-7-63, captioned "Martin Luther King, Jr., Communist Influence in Racial Matters," WTF:mea:pdb.

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Date: 11/6/63

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Via AIRTEL \_\_\_\_\_  
(Priority or Method of Mailing)

Mr. Tolson \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. DeLoach \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Mohr \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Bishop \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Casper \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Callahan \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Conrad \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Felt \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Gale \_\_\_\_\_  
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Mr. Trotter \_\_\_\_\_  
Tele. Room \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Holmes \_\_\_\_\_  
Miss Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-3-116)

FROM: SAC, WFO (100-42116)

CP, USA  
NEGRO QUESTION  
COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN RACIAL MATTERS  
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(OO: NY)

= ReNYairtel 11/4/63, indicating that MARTIN LUTHER KING and CLARENCE JONES would get together in Washington, D. C., on 11/6/63. NY suggested that consistent with maximum security, WFO should endeavor to determine the nature of the meeting. Re Bureau telephone call to WFO 11/6/63.

For information NYO, no risur was conducted on CLARENCE JONES in view of nature of his reported planned activity in Washington, D. C., on this date, and to avoid any embarrassment or criticism of the Bureau.

WFO efforts to discreetly ascertain from logical hotels in Washington, D. C., where MARTIN LUTHER KING would be staying met with negative results.

In compliance with reairtel, WFO conducted only that investigation which could be done with maximum security.

- ⑤ - Bureau 1-808 RB  
(1 - 100-407018) (JONES)  
(1 - 100-106670) (KING)  
3 - New York (100-151548 (CP, USA, NEGRO QUESTION) (RM)  
(1 - 100-73250) (JONES)  
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Special Agent in Charge

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1 - Mr. Bland  
1 - Mr. Baumgardner  
1 - Mr. Forsyth

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TO SAC BIRMINGHAM

FROM DIRECTOR FBI (100-106670)

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., SECURITY MATTER - C.

COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN RACIAL MATTERS.

REBHAIRTEL OCTOBER THIRTY-ONE LAST AND NYAIRTEL NOVEMBER  
FOUR LAST BOTH CAPTIONED QUOTE COMINFIL, SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN  
LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE. UNQUOTE

THE INFORMATION FROM BIRMINGHAM SOURCE INDICATES ONE JOEY  
BISHOP WAS IN CONTACT WITH MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., ON  
OCTOBER THIRTY LAST. REFERENCED NYAIRTEL INDICATES JOEY ADAMS  
WAS IN CONTACT WITH CLARENCE JONES, SAME DATE. NEW YORK STATES  
JONES' CONTACT WAS DEFINITELY WITH ADAMS. BOTH SOURCES  
INDICATED PARTY WOULD BE GIVEN FOR KING AND MILLIONAIRES WERE  
MENTIONED IN BOTH INSTANCES AS BEING AVAILABLE TO AID KING'S  
CAUSE.

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TELETYPE TO BIRMINGHAM  
RE: MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.  
- COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN RACIAL MATTERS  
100-106670

BIRMINGHAM SOURCE STATED HE DOES NOT KNOW WHAT GROUPS  
JOEY BISHOP WAS CONNECTED WITH BUT STATED KING IN THE PAST  
NAMED BISHOP AS ONE OF A NUMBER OF CELEBRITIES THAT HE  
COULD CALL ON TO ASSIST IN DEMONSTRATIONS IN BIRMINGHAM.

BIRMINGHAM IS INSTRUCTED TO RECONTACT SOURCE AND MAKE  
ALL EFFORTS TO CLARIFY THE SITUATION IN RESPECT TO THE  
STATEMENT THAT BISHOP COULD BE CALLED ON TO ASSIST IN  
DEMONSTRATIONS. IT SHOULD BE RESOLVED WHETHER THIS CAN BE  
DEFINITELY SAID TO PERTAIN TO BISHOP.

BIRMINGHAM SUTEL RESULTS IMMEDIATELY. COPY BEING MAILED  
TO NEW YORK.

NOTE:

The two individuals named are both television and radio  
personalities. New York from technical source is certain  
the individual involved in the conversation with Clarence Jones  
is definitely Joey Adams. It is felt necessary to clarify the  
situation pertaining to Bishop being one of persons King can  
call on for assistance prior to dissemination.

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Via AIRTEL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-3-116)

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (100-151548)

SUBJECT: CP-USA  
NEGRO QUESTION  
COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN RACIAL MATTERS  
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Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are 12 copies  
of a LHM reflecting conversation between CLARENCE JONES  
and SAUL MILLS on 10/4/63.

The sources utilized in the enclosed LHM are:

- 1 ENCLOSURE*
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

New York, New York

October 4, 1963

APPROPRIATE AGENCIES  
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SLIP(S) OF *Declarification*  
DATE *12/21/77*

Communist Party, United States  
of America (CPUSA)  
Negro Question  
Communist Influence in Racial  
Matters  
Internal Security - C

On October 4, 1963, a confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, furnished information which indicated that on that date, Clarence Jones held a conversation with Saul Mills during which he requested Mills to determine the exact time of Martin Luther King's arrival in New York City. Mills informed Jones that the following individuals would be in Martin Luther King's box (at Carnegie Hall):

James Baldwin  
James Foreman of the Student Non-Violent Co-ordinating  
Committee (SNCC)  
Senator and Mrs. Jacob Javits  
Clarence Jones

Mills added that "another white politician" was needed to occupy the box.

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CPUSA

Negro Question

Communist Influence in Racial Matters

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The above source furnished additional information on October 4, 1963, which indicated that Martin Luther King would not arrive in New York City before 5 a.m., on Saturday (October 5, 1963) and that there was no information yet as to what flight King will take from Atlanta.

As of September 15, 1963, Clarence Jones was the General Counsel for the Gandhi Society for Human Rights (GSHR), 15 East 40th Street, New York City.

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The LYL has been designated pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

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Concerning the reference to King's box at Carnegie Hall, the following is noted. "The New York Times" of September 15, 1963, contained an advertisement stating "The Reverend Martin Luther King, Jr., and the Board of Directors of the Gandhi Society for Human Rights cordially invites you to a gala benefit concert featuring Frank Sinatra and Lena Horne at Carnegie Hall, Saturday at 8:30 p.m., October 5, 1963."

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October 24, 1963

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Livermore, California

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Dear [REDACTED]

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I have received your letter of October 17, 1963.

With regard to your inquiries, information contained in the files of the FBI is confidential and available for official use only and consequently I am unable to respond to your specific questions.

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Enclosed is some literature I trust you will find to be of interest. In addition, you may desire to read my books, "Masters of Deceit" and "A Study of Communism." Copies may be available in your local libraries.

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OCT 24 1963  
COMM-FBI

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover  
Director

Enclosures (5)  
An Army of Free Men  
An American's Challenge  
Young People Can Help Defeat Communism  
Communism and The Knowledge To Combat It!  
Let's Fight Communism Sanely!

Tolson \_\_\_\_\_  
Belmont \_\_\_\_\_  
Mohr \_\_\_\_\_  
Casper \_\_\_\_\_  
Callahan \_\_\_\_\_  
Conrad \_\_\_\_\_  
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Holmes \_\_\_\_\_  
Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

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17 Oct 1963

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And May not be worded properly, but to get to this gist of the  
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as the March on Washington this is for my own information and  
will not Be printed in any form.

please i would appreciate an answer in any form.

Send to..

  
Livermore, Calif.

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CORRESPONDENCE

Rec'd 10/23/63  
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Send to:

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Livermore, Calif.

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Mr. W. C. Sullivan

11/6/63

Mr. F. J. Baumgardner

1 - Mr. Sullivan  
1 - Mr. Baumgardner  
1 - Mr. Bland

COMMUNIST PARTY, USA  
NEGRO QUESTION  
COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN  
RACIAL MATTERS  
INTERNAL SECURITY - COMMUNIST

ReNYairtel to Bureau and Washington Field Office (WFO) 11/4/63 which set out a lead for WFO to attempt to cover, consistent with maximum security, a contact between Martin Luther King and Clarence Jones which is to take place in Washington, D.C., 11-6-63. During this personal contact Jones and King are reported to be planning to discuss a matter concerning the King-Stanley Levison relationship. The New York information was also to the effect that Jones had an appointment at the Internal Revenue Service in Washington, D.C., 11-6-63.

The local press reported on the morning of 11-6-63 that King is to address a symposium at Howard University on the evening of 11-6-63. We also received a teletype from New York 11-5-63 that Jones would be accompanied to Washington by Harry Wachtel, both of them being counsels for the Gandhi Society for Human Rights. They plan to meet with a Vice-Chairman of the Democratic National Committee in Washington, D.C., a meeting which was set up at the request of King.

ACTION:

Because of the reported business which Jones has at the Democratic National Committee office plus the presence of King on the Howard University campus, I telephonically contacted SA [redacted] temporarily sitting on the Security Supervisor's Desk, WFO, 10:22 a.m., 11-6-63, and instructed that under no circumstances should any action be taken which could "backfire" because of the detection of a surveillance of Jones and/or King while in Washington. The sensitive nature of the situation was pointed out and [redacted] was told that no physical surveillances should be conducted.

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- 1 - 100-407018 (Clarence Jones)
- 1 - 100-106670 (Martin Luther King)

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-3-116)

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (100-151548)

SUBJECT: CPUSA-NEGRO QUESTION  
COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN  
RACIAL MATTERS  
IS-C  
(OO: NY)

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Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are 10 copies of a  
letterhead memorandum dated 10/30/63.

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This letterhead memorandum has been classified "Secret"  
because it contains information from [REDACTED] This source  
has furnished highly sensitive information with respect to the  
racial situation in the New York area and Communist infiltration  
thereof, and it is felt that this classification is necessary in  
order not to jeopardize the valuable position of the informant  
in furnishing information of this nature.

- 5 - Bureau (100-3-116) (Encls. 10) (RM)  
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    (1 - 100-106670) (MARTIN LUTHER KING)  
1 - New York (100-136585) (MARTIN LUTHER KING) (414)  
1 - New York (100-73250) (CLARENCE JONES) (414)  
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New York, New York  
October 30, 1963

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DATE 12/21/77 WSE

Re: Communist Party,  
United States of America  
Negro Question  
Communist Influence in Racial Matters  
Internal Security - C

On October 29, 1963, a confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, furnished information which indicated that Clarence Jones contacted Martin Luther King on that date. King said he was disturbed that since the March on Washington, they had lost ground. He indicated that they had the nation aroused at that time. King indicated that the masses of people are hungry for something but do not know what to do or which way to go. King said there is a "Coldwater surge which pushes Kennedy more and more to the right", and he said that if the Republicans had a liberal as a front runner, "it would push Kennedy more to the left". King indicated that he would like to discuss this with Jones in the future.

Clarence Jones is the General Counsel  
for the Gandhi Society For Human Rights,  
15 East 40th Street, New York City.



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The LYL has been designated pursuant  
to Executive Order 10450.

The March on Washington was a civil  
rights demonstration which took place  
in Washington, D.C., on August 28, 1963.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-3-116)

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (100-151548)

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Physical surveillance was conducted on 10/18/63, 10/19/63, and 10/20/63, in an effort to observe a contact between JONES and LEVISON. Agents who observed CLARENCE JONES on 10/19/63 are [REDACTED]

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## UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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New York, New York

October 23, 1963

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On October 16, 1963, a confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, furnished information which indicated that on that date, Martin Luther King was in contact with Clarence Jones. King stated that he is coming to New York to speak at Madison Square Garden on October 23, 1963, for the District 65 Anniversary. King said that he plans to speak on the unions, "where we have come so far and where do we go from here". King indicated that he considers this speech to be very important, and he requested Clarence Jones to get some material together with their mutual friend. Jones said he thought they could get the draft to him by Monday in Atlanta. Jones indicated that he thought if they had the week-end to work on it, they could get it done.

With respect to the foregoing, it is to be noted that it has been determined from this same confidential source that in the past when King and Jones referred to their mutual friend, they were referring to Stanley Levison.

The District 65 mentioned is District 65 of the Retail, Wholesale, and Department Store Union, American Federation of Labor-Congress of Industrial Organizations.

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Communist Party,  
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On October 17, 1963, a representative of District 65 advised that the Union was having a meeting on October 23, 1963, at Madison Square Garden on the occasion of the union's 30th Anniversary. This meeting is open to union members only. Martin Luther King was mentioned as one of the speakers.

Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, on October 19, 1963, observed Clarence Jones entering 585 West End Avenue, New York City, New York, at 10:59 a.m. Jones was observed departing from 585 West End Avenue, at 3:55 p.m.

It is to be noted that 585 West End Avenue is the residence of Stanley Levison.

On October 19, 1963, a second confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, furnished information which indicated that on that date, in the early afternoon, Stanley Levison and Clarence Jones were together at 585 West End Avenue, New York City, New York.

On October 22, 1963, the first confidential source furnished information which indicated that on that date, Miss McDonald, King's secretary, told Jones that the speech had been received and that she had read it to King. She said that King would like two or three additional paragraphs on the present civil rights legislation concerning whether they should support a stronger or weaker bill. Jones said he would work on it.

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COMMUNIST PARTY  
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Stanley  
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of a letterhead memorandum reflecting a contact between  
CLARENCE JONES and MARTIN LUTHER KING as received from [redacted] on 10/16/63.

APPROPRIATE AGENCIES  
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NY sources have been alerted to the possibility  
of a contact between CLARENCE JONES and STANLEY LEVISON.  
It is to be noted that on 10/15/63, arrangements had  
been made for JONES to go to LEVISON's office on 10/17/63,  
at 4:00 p.m., to discuss some matters which the NYO will  
attempt to observe.

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New York, New York  
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REASON FOR EXTENSION 2 United States of America  
FCIM, II, 1-2.4.2 10-17-83 Negro Question  
DATE OF REVIEW FOR 6076 Communist Influence in  
DECLASSIFICATION Racial Matters  
Internal Security - CAPPROPRIATE AGENCIES  
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## Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 10/24/63

FROM : SAC, NEW HAVEN (157-448) (C)

SUBJECT: DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.  
RACIAL MATTERS

Reference is made to New Haven airtel and LHMs dated 10/15/63 and 10/17/63, respectively, concerning the appearance of the subject at Wesleyan University, Middletown, Conn., on 10/20,21/63.

The subject appeared as scheduled. He first gave the sermon on 10/20/63 at Wesleyan Memorial Church. Next followed a fund-raising "civil rights rally" in Wesleyan's McConaughy Hall on 10/20/63, which was attended by approximately 1,500 persons. On 10/21/63, subject held a press conference and then departed by plane for Birmingham, Alabama.

The subject was vigorously received and no unusual incidents took place which might be of interest to the Bureau during the subject's appearance.

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FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (100-151548)

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Levison then remarked that "Martin needs something like this, he needs pros around."

Levison stated that he thinks he could make a deal with Lamar on a practical basis and believes \$1,000 would be "OK". Jones said he would get in touch with Levison the following day.

Source, on October 5, 1963, furnished information which indicated that Martin Luther King spoke with Mrs. Jones, wife of Clarence Jones, and asked her if Clarence and "his friend" could meet with him at his hotel. Later King spoke with Clarence Jones and they discussed the recordings of King's speech at the recent March on Washington. Arrangements were then made between King and Jones to meet at the Park Sheraton Hotel where King is staying for 5 p.m. the same date. King asked Jones if "our friend" will be coming with him. Jones said, "yes" because they wanted to discuss the book with him, King jointly.

Jones later contacted Levison and advised him that he had met with King and arrangements had been made for them to meet with him. Levison agreed to attend the meeting.

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Communist Party, United States of  
America (CPUSA)  
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On October 2, 1963, a confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, furnished information which indicated that on that date Clarence Jones held a discussion with William Kunstler on a legal suit being prepared to declare the "Angelo Herndon Statute" of Georgia unconstitutional. Kunstler stated that he was contacted by one Morris Abrahm (phonetic) of the Garrison firm at Atlanta, who said that they were called in by the President's panel of lawyers, who would like to have Jones and Kunstler work with them on the "strength of the Danville brief on a federal level." Kunstler remarked that they thought it will be a big case "equal to the school case" and Abrahm is very anxious for the Gandhi Society for Human Rights to work with them.

Kunstler told Jones he would like to be able to tell Abrahm that the Southern Christian Leadership Conference will go in on the case, to declare the "Angelo Herndon Statute" of Georgia Unconstitutional.

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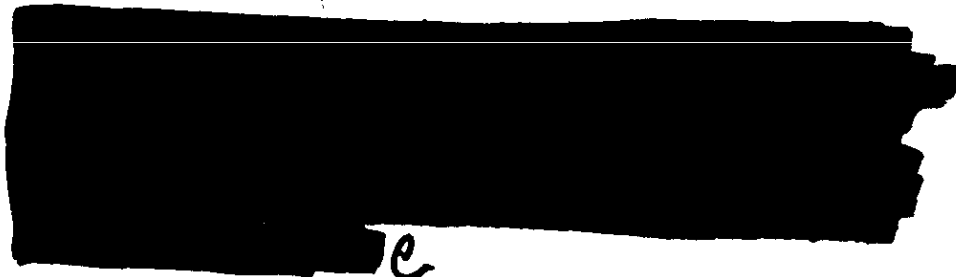
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Kunstler stated he would like to go further and bring the whole power of the court to bear upon the Americus and Albany (Georgia) situation as being a concentrated effort to deter the movement of all sorts of state action.

Kunstler further stated that Abrahm would like to be able to get good plaintiffs and <sup>wants</sup> to put Martin Luther King and the Southern Christian Leadership Conference's names on the complaint. Jones stated he could not give consent for King and the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, but will consult with Harry Wachtel for his opinion.

The source is unable to furnish any other information pertaining to the legal suit mentioned above at this time.

As of September 15, 1963, Clarence Jones was the General Counsel for the Gandhi Society for Human Rights, 15 East 40th Street, New York City.



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As of September 30, 1963, Harry Wachtel was  
the Special Counsel of the Gandhi Society  
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SUBJECT: DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.  
RACIAL MATTERS  
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Re New Haven airtel and LHM, to Bureau 10/15/63.

Enclosed are nine copies of LHM entitled, "APPEARANCE OF DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., IN MIDDLETOWN, CONN., 10/20-21/63", which is self-explanatory.

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RE: APPEARANCE OF DR. MARTIN LUTHER  
KING, JR., IN MIDDLETOWN,  
CONNECTICUT, OCTOBER 20-21, 1963

A source who has furnished reliable information in the past advised on October 16, 1963, that changes have been made in the plans of Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. due to the situation in Birmingham, Alabama. Source advised that now Dr. KING will be at Wesleyan University, Middletown, Connecticut, on Sunday evening, October 20, 1963, for a church service and fund-raising civil rights rally and he will also address the College of Social Studies, Monday noon, October 21, 1963. However, the scheduled talk to high school students in Middletown on October 21, 1963, has been cancelled, as has his planned visit to Yale University, New Haven, Connecticut.

Source advised that KING will board a plane at 2:30 PM, October 21, 1963, at Bradley Field, Windsor Locks, Connecticut to return to Birmingham, Alabama.

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Negro Question  
Communist Influence in Racial Matters  
Internal Security - C

On October 12, 1963, a confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, furnished information which indicated that on that date Clarence Jones was in contact with Stanley Levison. Jones said in regard to the copy-right suit that he had been offered approximately \$15,000 in settlement from Twentieth Century Fox. Jones stated that he would like to see the \$15,000 plus any royalties go to King. Levison agreed with this point of view. Levison said that the way he always presented the matter to King was to tell him that there are ~~two~~ ways in which he, King, can make money for his living and these are his speaking engagements and his writing. Jones stated that King is afraid that people will say that he brought the suit in order to make money and he said that he thinks King could actually use the money. Levison said that King will have to stop being so ultra-sensitive because people are taking advantage of him.

(It is to be noted that Clarence Jones, an attorney, is handling a legal matter for Martin Luther King involving the copyrights of a speech which King gave on August 28, 1963, in Washington, D.C. on the occasion of the March on Washington.)

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As of September 15, 1963, Clarence Jones  
was a General Counsel for the Gandhi Society  
for Human Rights, 15 East 40th Street,  
New York City.

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Stanley Levison was a secret member of  
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RACIAL MATTERS

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Martin Luther King, Jr.  
Racial Matters

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On September 30, 1963, a confidential source who has furnished reliable information in the past, furnished information which indicated that on that date Martin Luther King held a discussion with Clarence Jones regarding his book.

King said he wants his book published as soon as possible.

Jones remarked that he had checked on a publishing date and does not believe the book will be published until the first of the year.

King said he will be in New York at about 11:00 am, Saturday, October 5, 1963.

Jones said the affair for Saturday evening is coming along very well, \$47,000 of the \$62,000 house is already sold. That 75% of the profits will go to the "Voter Education Committee" and 25% to the Gandhi Society for Human Rights. King is to sit with Mayor Wagner and Senator Javits of New York. King will make a short speech.

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Martin Luther King, Jr.

The "New York Times" newspaper dated September 15, 1963, states "The Rev. Martin Luther King, Jr., and the Board of Directors of the Gandhi Society for Human Rights cordially invites you to a Gala Benefit Concert featuring Frank Sinatra and Lena Horne at Carnegie Hall, Saturday at 8:30 pm, October 5, 1963" at New York.

King then asked Jones if he knows of anyone who could replace Jack O'Dell (Hunter O'Dell) in New York. Jones said he had discussed the matter with "our friend" yesterday.

Jones said he hesitates to ask Adam Clayton Powell about a replacement because he would put in his whole staff.

Jones asked King about one George Lawrence. King said Lawrence just disappeared, he had checks worth \$6,000 that he did not return. King said the last mail appeal was in May and there should be another one as soon as possible.

Jones said he would talk to "our friend" about the matter.

The source further advised that an invitation will be sent to Attorney General Robert Kennedy, inviting him to the concert and a reception to be held after the Concert at Carnegie Hall, Saturday evening, October 5, 1963, at New York.

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Martin Luther King, Jr.

As of September 15, 1963, Clarence Jones was the General Counsel for the Gandhi Society for Human Rights, 15 East 40th Street, New York City.

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The LYL has been designated pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

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FROM SAC, INDIANAPOLIS (157-1)

APPEARANCE OF REVEREND MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.  
SOUTH BEND, INDIANA, OCTOBER 18, 1963  
RACIAL MATTERS

Re IP teletype to Director dated 10/14/63.

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are eight copies of a  
letterhead memorandum.

[REDACTED] source of the  
Indianapolis Office. He furnished information to SA [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Department of the Army, South Bend,  
Indiana, was advised at 8:50 AM, 10/14/63.

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In Reply, Please Refer to  
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Indianapolis, Indiana  
October 15, 1963

APPEARANCE OF REVEREND MARTIN LUTHER  
KING, JR., SOUTH BEND, INDIANA,  
OCTOBER 18, 1963

[REDACTED] b7(D)  
[REDACTED] advised that Reverend Martin Luther King, Jr., will speak at Stepan Hall, University of Notre Dame, South Bend, Indiana, at 8:30 PM, October 18, 1963. His appearance is being sponsored by the Citizens Civil Planning Committee, a legitimate Negro organization at South Bend, which was formed specifically for the task of bringing Reverend King to South Bend.

Reverend King is expected to arrive at the St. Joseph County Airport, South Bend, during the afternoon of October 18, 1963. He will be escorted through the downtown area of South Bend in a motorcade. He is expected to stay at the Town Tower Motel, 423 North Michigan Street, South Bend. He will attend a dinner at the First Methodist Church, 333 North Main Street, South Bend, immediately prior to his appearance at Stepan Hall.

As of October 14, 1963, there has been no indication of picketing, demonstrations, or violence.

[REDACTED] Department of the Army, South Bend, Indiana, was advised of the above at 8:50 AM, October 14, 1963. b7(c)

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI  
FROM: SAC, INDIANAPOLIS (157-1)  
SUBJECT: APPEARANCE OF REVEREND MARTIN  
LUTHER KING, JR., SOUTH BEND, CLASS. & EXT. BY 9803 RDD/mj  
INDIANA, 10/18/63  
RACIAL MATTERS  
REASON FOR II, 1-2.4.2  
DATE OF REVIEW 10/19/83

Re Indianapolis teletype to Director 10/19/63.

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copies of a letterhead memorandum.

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 Department of the Army, b7(c)  
South Bend, Indiana, was advised at 11:45 PM, 10/18/63.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Indianapolis, Indiana

October 19, 1963

APPEARANCE OF REVEREND MARTIN  
LUTHER KING, JR., SOUTH BEND,  
INDIANA, OCTOBER 18, 1963

A confidential source who has furnished reliable information in the past advised on October 18, 1963, that Reverend Martin Luther King, Jr., arrived at the St. Joseph County Airport, South Bend, Indiana, apparently in a chartered plane, at around 6:30 PM. He proceeded directly to the Town Tower Motel, 423 North Michigan Street, South Bend, where he held a short press conference. He then attended dinner at the First Methodist Church, 333 North Main Street, South Bend, and thereafter spoke at Stepan Hall, University of Notre Dame, South Bend.


King spoke to a standing room only crowd of about 3500 individuals numbering approximately sixty per cent Negro and forty per cent white. King's remarks covered the history of the Negro movement in the United States, where it was today and the obstacle that must be overcome in the future. Among the obstacles cited by King were the lack of brotherhood between Negroes and whites, necessity for eliminating the idea of gradualism and the necessity of eliminating from the teachings of various churches the idea of white supremacy. King compared his own theories for eliminating segregation with communism. He said that communism utilizes violence whereas only love can achieve through integration. His remarks were well received by those in attendance at the meeting.

Source stated that King was expecting to leave the South Bend area during the morning of October 19, 1963.

Source stated that to his knowledge there was no picketing, violence, demonstrations or vandalism.

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Re: APPEARANCE OF REVEREND MARTIN LUTHER  
KING, JR., SOUTH BEND, INDIANA,  
OCTOBER 18, 1963

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October 16, 1963

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[Redacted Address]

Hollister, Missouri 65672

b7(c)

Dear [Redacted]

Your letter of October 12th, with enclosure, has been received.

Although I would like to be of service, information contained in the files of the FBI must be maintained as confidential in accordance with regulations of the Department of Justice and is available for official use only. In view of this policy, I trust you will understand my inability to comment in the manner you suggested. I am returning the leaflet you forwarded.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover  
Director

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Enclosure  
Correspondent's enclosure

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NOTE: Bufiles contain no references identifiable with correspondent. Enclosure was a copy of a photo entitled 'Martin Luther King - At Communist RWE:ncr (3) Training School' published by Alert Americans Association, Los Angeles. The Bureau is familiar with this sheet.

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Hollister, Missouri 65672

Oct 12, 1963

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Dear Sir:

This leaflet was sent to me. Would it be possible for you to inform me if these statements are true? It implies that Martin Luther King Jr. is a Communist. Is he, or just a sympathizer?

I would truly appreciate your comments.

Thank you

Sincerely,

/s/

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# MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. ... A COMMUNIST TRAINING SCHOOL



The above picture was made by an employee of the State of Georgia, at the Highlander Folk School in Monteagle, Tennessee during the Labor Day week-end of 1957. The photographer was sent to the Highlander Folk School by the Georgia Commission on Education. The Highlander Folk School was abolished by an act of the Legislature of the State of Tennessee at a later date because it was charged with being a subversive organization.

Those numbered in the picture are:

1. Martin Luther King, Jr., of the Montgomery boycott and the Birmingham riots. Karl Prussion, a counterspy for the FBI for twenty-two years, charges that Martin Luther King belongs to sixty Communist-front organizations — more than any Communist in the United States. He is promoted and encouraged by the Kennedys.
2. Abner W. Berry of the Central Committee of the Communist Party.
3. Aubrey Williams, President of the Southern Conference Education Fund, Inc., The Transmission Belt in the South for the Communist Party.
4. Myles Horton, Director of Highlander Folk School for Communist Training, Monteagle, Tennessee.

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FROM: *CEW* SAC, NEW HAVEN (157-NEW) (P)

SUBJECT: DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.  
RACIAL MATTERS  
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Attached herewith are 9 copies of a letterhead memorandum  
entitled, "Appearance of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. in  
Middletown, Connecticut, 10/20 - 21/63," which is self-  
explanatory.

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The source used is [REDACTED]

The New Haven Division will remain alert during the appear-  
ance of the subject in Connecticut, for any situation which  
might arise as a result of his appearance which would be of  
interest to the Bureau, and will promptly report same.

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In Reply, Please Refer to  
File No.

New Haven 10, Connecticut

October 15, 1963

RE: APPEARANCE OF DR. MARTIN LUTHER  
KING, JR. IN MIDDLETOWN, CON-  
NECTICUT, OCTOBER 20-21, 1963

A source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on October 14, 1963, that Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. is scheduled to arrive in Middletown, Connecticut, on the afternoon of Sunday, October 20, 1963 and will give the regular sermon at the Wesleyan Memorial Church, Wesleyan University, at 7:15 PM and then will address a Civil Rights Rally on the University campus at 8:45 PM.

The source advised on Monday morning, October 21, 1963, KING will speak to a selected group of about 175 students at Middletown High School and, at noon of the same day, he will address the Wesleyan College of Social Studies.

Source added that Dr. KING will leave Monday afternoon, October 21, 1963, for a similar two day series of talks at Yale University, New Haven, Connecticut.

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[REDACTED]  
Havre, Montana

Dear [REDACTED]

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I read your letter postmarked October 9, 1963.

While I would like to be of service, information contained in the files of the FBI is confidential and available for official use only pursuant to regulations of the Department of Justice.

Although this Bureau does not maintain a list of the type you desire for dissemination to the general public, I am enclosing a list of organizations which have been cited by the Attorney General under Executive Order 10450, along with some other material on the general topic of communism. You may also wish to refer to my books, "Masters of Deceit" and "A Study of Communism," which reveal the development and expansion of communism throughout the world. These publications may be available at your local library.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover  
Director

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List of Subversive Organizations

Communism and The Knowledge To Combat It!

Let's Fight Communism Sanely!

Young People Can Help Defeat Communism

Do You Really Understand Communism?

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[REDACTED] b7(c)  
Havre, Montana

Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Washington 25, D. C.

Subject: Communism

Gentlemen:

My name is [REDACTED] b7(c) and I am interested in obtaining a list of acting communists in Montana. I have been studying communism for some time now, and am always looking for more reading material. If it is at all possible please send me such a list as mentioned above.

Is it true that Martin Luther King is a communist?  
I have had an occasion to talk about him in regards to segregation, and I was told this. Please inform me.

Thank you so very much.

a patriotic American,

/s/ [REDACTED]

b7(c)

Havre, Montana

Letter postmarked 10/9/63.

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House, Montana

Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Washington 25, D. C.

Subject: Communism

Gentlemen:

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Via AIRTEL

REGISTERED MAIL

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-106670)

FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (100-136585)

SUBJECT: MARTIN LUTHER KING  
RACIAL MATTERS  
SM - CAPPROPRIATE AGENCIES  
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[REDACTED] advised 9/21/63, that on that date STANLEY LEVISON conferred with his business associate. Mrs. ALICE LOEWI, NYC. During the conversation, LEVISON criticized BAYARD RUSTIN, described him as "a shrieker." LEVISON referred to the situation in Birmingham and stated that the Birmingham Police are so tied in with all kinds of rackets that exist in an industrial city that they are undoubtedly completely infiltrated by the "Klan."

5 - BUREAU (100-106670)(RM)

(1 - 100-39452)(STANLEY LEVISON)

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(COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN  
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1 - ATLANTA (100-5586)(MARTIN LUTHER KING)(INFO)(RM)

1 - BIRMINGHAM (100- ) (MARTIN LUTHER KING)(INFO)(RM)

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1 - NY 100-151548 (COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN  
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1 - NY 100-136585 (414)

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LEVISON praised the appointment of the men selected by President KENNEDY to go to Birmingham stating that they are military men and Southerners who will understand the situation there. According to LEVISON, MARTIN LUTHER KING is having difficulty in understanding the Birmingham situation because it is basically a police problem. At this point, Mrs. LOEWI asked LEVISON why he does not see KING and advise him in this respect. LEVISON replied "he made a promise and has got to keep it." It is the opinion of the informant that this remark by LEVISON indicates that LEVISON has been informed that KING has made a commitment to people of influence that he will not contact LEVISON under any circumstances. 5

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MARTIN LUTHER KING  
RACIAL MATTERS  
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There are enclosed seven copies of a letterhead memorandum reflecting information furnished by [REDACTED] on 10/8/63, concerning a conversation between STANLEY LEVISON and ALICE LOEWI which concerned a forthcoming book by MARTIN LUTHER KING which LEVISON is assisting KING with.

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New York, New York  
October 9, 1963


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Re: Communist Party,  
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Communist Influence in  
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Martin Luther King  
Racial Matters

On October 8, 1963, a confidential source, who has  
furnished reliable information in the past, advised that on  
that date, Alice Loewi, a business associate of Stanley Levison,  
inquired as to how his day with Martin Luther King had been. ~~2~~

  
Stanley Levison was  
a secret member of the Communist Party,  
United States of America (CPUSA). ~~2~~

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Levison informed Loewi that it had been a  
good day with King, but added, "you know I'm not going  
to be seeing him, but I have to finish off this book  
thing that was started." ~~2~~

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Martin Luther King  
Racial Matters

 Levison is referring to a forthcoming book by Martin Luther King relating to King's experiences during the racial demonstrations in Birmingham, Alabama. 

Levison continued that he had promised the publisher to get an editor to polish the book in professional style, but that Martin got an editor who turned out to be "a real phony and who clipped Martin for \$3,000.00". 

Levison informed Loewi that he has now gotten an editor and is interested in getting the job done. He added that when this is off his hands he will be very relaxed. He stated it is "a very annoying thing, I don't want to maintain contact and yet this was an obligation I took..and you can't just let it go." 



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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-3-116)

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (100-151548)

SUBJECT: COMMUNIST PARTY, USA  
NEGRO QUESTION  
COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN RACIAL MATTERS  
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LHM reflecting a conversation between STANLEY LEVISON and  
CLARENCE JONES as received by [REDACTED] on 10/1/63. b(2) b(7)(D)

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Communist Party, United States of  
America (CPUSA)  
Negro Question  
Communist Influence on Racial Matters  
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On October 1, 1963, a confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, furnished information which indicated that on that date, Stanley Levison held a discussion with Clarence Jones about a book written by Martin Luther King soon to be published.

Jones remarked that King is very much concerned about finishing his book and is particularly concerned about writing an effective chapter concerning Birmingham. Jones stated that King is coming to New York on Saturday at which time he plans to make inquiries on the progress of his book.

Levison remarked that the chapter following the one on Birmingham is very dull and will need a lot of rewriting. He said that King discussed his book with persons in Richmond and the impression is that King's book will be "the book of books" and will be released shortly.

Levison told Jones that he had something to discuss with him and would like to see him that evening. Jones agreed to meet with Levison that evening after dinner.

As of September 15, 1963, Clarence Jones was the General Consul of the Gandhi Society for Human Rights, 15 East 40th Street, New York City.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI /100-106670/ AND SAC-S BIRMINGHAM /100-4296/

LOS ANGELES AND MOBILE

FROM SAC, ATLANTA /157-400/ 1P

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. RM.

RE BIRMINGHAM TEL OCTOBER NINE, LAST.

KING HOLDS RETURN RESERVATIONS FROM LOS ANGELES TO ATLANTA  
ON DELTA FLIGHT EIGHT TWO FOUR, OCTOBER TWELVE, NEXT.

NO CONTINUING RESERVATIONS. [REDACTED] HAS BEEN ALERTED TO b7(D)

CHECK ON ALL FLIGHTS TO ALABAMA.

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DATE 12/4/79 BY 980320 Jmly

SOUTHERN AIRLINES ONLY AIRLINES FROM ATLANTA TO SELMA

HAVE NO RECORD OF FLIGHT FOR KING.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI, AND SAC-S ATLANTA, MOBILE, LOS ANGELES.  
FROM SAC, BIRMINGHAM 100-14886/  
MARTIN LUTHER KING JR., RM. BUFILE ONE HUNDRED ONE ZERO SIX  
SEVEN ZERO.

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DEPARTED BIRMINGHAM OCTOBER EIGHT LAST AT THREE TWENTYEIGHT PM VIA  
DELA FLIGHT SIX TWO TWO FOR ATLANTA. [REDACTED] ADVISED KING HOLDING  
RESERVATIONS ON DELTA FLIGHT EIGHT TWO NINE DEPARTING ATLANTA DES-  
TINATION LOS ANGELES.

[REDACTED] ADVISED KING HOLDING RETURN RESERVATIONS TO  
ATLANTA ON DELTA FLIGHT EIGHT TWO FOUR FROM LOS ANGELES  
OCTOBER TWELVE NEXT.

[REDACTED] ADVISED REVERAND FRED L.  
SHUTTLESWORTH STATED KING MAY SPEAK IN SELMA, ALABAMA, OCTOBER FOUR-  
TEEN OR FIFTEEN NEXT. SHUTTLESWORTH INFORMED [REDACTED] STATE-WIDE MEET-  
ING OF QUOTE ALL NEGRO LEADERS UNQUOTE TO BE HELD SELMA, ALABAMA,  
OCTOBER TWENTYTWO NEXT. SHUTTLESWORTH NON-COMMITTAL REGARDING KING-S  
WHEREABOUTS OR PRESENCE LOS ANGELES.

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ATLANTA REQUESTED TO KEEP BIRMINGHAM INFORMED AS TO KING-S RE-  
TURN BIRMINGHAM THROUGH [REDACTED]  
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SUBJECT: APPROPRIATE AGENCIES AND FIELD OFFICES - CP, USA ADVISED BY ROUTING SLIP (S) BY DATE 12/7/79 IS - C  
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Communist Party, United States of America (CPUSA)  
Negro Question  
Communist Influence on Racial Matters  
Internal Security - C

On October 5, 1963, a confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that Stanley Levison had accepted a request of Clarence Jones to meet him later that date at the Park Sheraton Hotel, New York City. Jones advised Levison that he made arrangements to meet Martin Luther King at this time and that he desired Levison to be there also.

As of September 15, 1963, Clarence Jones was the General Consul of the Gandhi Society for Human Rights, 15 East 40th Street, New York City.

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RACIAL SITUATION  
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Re: Communist Party, United  
States of America -  
Negro Question; Communist  
Influence In Racial Matters  
Internal Security - C

A confidential source that has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on October 1, 1963, that Stanley Levison discussed the possibility of having Coretta King, wife of the Reverend Martin Luther King, write an article for publication in the magazine, "Good Housekeeping."

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Stanley Levison is a secret member of the Communist Party, United States of America (CPUSA) 6

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It is to be noted that speech "I Have a Dream" made by Reverend KING, mentioned in LHM, could possibly pertain to a speech made by KING at the recent march on Washington, D.C. held 8/28/63.

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On October 3, 1963, a confidential source who has furnished reliable information in the past, furnished information which indicated that on that date Clarence Jones was preparing a complaint to be filed on behalf of Martin Luther King.

Reverend King is seeking a temporary restraining order against Twentieth Century Fox and Mr. Maestro, Incorporated to prohibit them from selling recordings of King's speech "I Have a Dream", which he recently made in Washington, D.C.

King wants any proceeds received from this recording to go to the United Civil Rights Leadership to be used for the Civil Rights Movement.

Source further advised that a person by the name of Clay, not further identified, discussed with Jones a meeting of District 65 Affiliated Retail, Wholesale and Department Store Workers Union to be held on October 23, 1963, at Madison Square Garden, New York. Jones was requested to make arrangements for television coverage of this meeting because the union is to invite Reverend King to make a major civil rights speech during the evening.

Jones agreed, and mentioned that he had a contact at the Columbia Broadcasting Company (CBS).

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Negro Question  
Communist Influence in Racial Matters

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Clay remarked that he "wants to light a fire under organized labor".

As of September 15, 1963, Clarence Jones was the General Counsel for the Gandhi Society for Human Rights, 15 East 40th Street, New York City.

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The Attorney General

Director, FBI

REVEREND MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.  
RACIAL MATTERS

October 3, 1963

1 - Mr. Belmont  
1 - Mr. Rosen  
1 - Mr. Malley  
1 - Mr. McGowan  
1 - Mr. Lavin  
1 - Mr. Mohr  
1 - Mr. DeLoach  
1 - Mr. Evans  
1 - Mr. Sullivan

The following appeared in the "New York Times"  
newspaper on September 15, 1963:

"The Reverend Martin Luther King, Jr.,  
and the Board of Directors of the Gandhi  
Society for Human Rights cordially invite  
you to a Gala Benefit Concert featuring  
Frank Sinatra and Lena Horne at Carnegie  
Hall, Saturday at 8:30 p.m., October 5,  
1963."

A confidential source who has furnished reliable  
information in the past has advised that on September 30,  
1963, Reverend Martin Luther King, Jr., and Clarence Jones  
held a discussion concerning the concert at Carnegie Hall  
and indicated that an invitation to the concert and a  
reception to be held after the concert on October 5, 1963,  
will be sent to you.

Clarence Jones informed Reverend Mr. King that  
the affair on October 5, 1963, is coming along very well  
and that seventy-five per cent of the profits will go to  
the "Voter Education Committee" and twenty-five per cent  
will go to the Gandhi Society for Human Rights. It was  
mentioned in the discussion concerning the concert that  
Reverend Mr. King is to sit with Mayor Robert Wagner and  
Senator Jacob Javits of New York and that he will also  
make a speech.

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The Attorney General

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- 1 - The Deputy Attorney General
- 1 - Mr. Burke Marshall  
Assistant Attorney General
- 1 - Mr. J. Walter Yeagley  
Assistant Attorney General

NOTE:

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# Memorandum

TO : Mr. Belmont

DATE: October 3, 1963

FROM : A. Rosen

SUBJECT: REVEREND MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.  
RACIAL MATTERS

Mr. Tolson \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. DeLoach \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Mohr \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Bishop \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Casper \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Callahan \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Conrad \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Felt \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Gale \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Rosen \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Sullivan \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Tavel \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Trotter \_\_\_\_\_  
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Holmes \_\_\_\_\_  
Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

There is attached hereto a memorandum to the Attorney General setting forth information which we obtained from confidential sources in New York concerning a concert at Carnegie Hall on 10/5/63 featuring Frank Sinatra and Lena Horne. The concert is being sponsored by Reverend Martin Luther King, Jr., and the Gandhi Society for Human Rights. It was indicated in a discussion Mr. King was having with Clarence Jones that an invitation will be sent to the Attorney General.

## RECOMMENDATION:

That the attached letter to the Attorney General be sent.

Enclosure

- 1 - Mr. Mohr
- 1 - Mr. DeLoach
- 1 - Mr. Evans
- 1 - Mr. Sullivan

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The Attorney General 1 - Mr. Belmont September 26, 1963  
1 - Mr. Mohr  
1 - Mr. Sullivan  
Director, FBI 1 - Mr. Evans  
1 - Mr. Rosen  
1 - Mr. Baumgardner 1 - Mr. Forsyth  
1 - Mr. Bland  
COMMUNIST PARTY, USA  
NEGRO QUESTION  
COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN RACIAL MATTERS  
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

A source who has furnished reliable information in the past advised that Stanley David Levison, in discussing the racial situation in Birmingham on September 21 and 22, 1963, praised the appointment of the men selected by President Kennedy to go to Birmingham to study the Birmingham situation stating that they are military men and Southerners who will understand the situation there.

Levison indicated that Martin Luther King, Jr., is having difficulty in understanding the Birmingham situation because it is basically a police problem. When it was suggested to Levison that he see King and advise him in this respect, Levison replied that "he made a promise and has got to keep it."

Levison and his brother, Roy Bennett, were critical of James Baldwin and his group. They agreed that the condemnation of the presidential commission to study the Birmingham situation and their idea of boycotting Christmas shopping in Birmingham were extremely ridiculous. The opinion was expressed that Baldwin's group was "not too deep intellectually."

James Baldwin, a Negro author, has been prominent in the Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee, and in 1960 was an active member of the Fair Play for Cuba Committee.

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- 1 - 100-106670 (King)
- 1 - 100-39452 (Levison)
- 1 - 100-158790 (Rustin)

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The Attorney General

Bayard Rustin served as Deputy Director of the August 28, 1963, March on Washington. He was a self-admitted member of the Young Communist League in the 1930's. [REDACTED]

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- 1 - The Deputy Attorney General
- 1 - Mr. Burke Marshall  
Assistant Attorney General
- 1 - Mr. J. Walter Yeagley  
Assistant Attorney General

**NOTE:**

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-3-116)  
FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (100-151548)  
SUBJECT: CP, USA  
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COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN RACIAL MATTERS  
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Enclosed herewith are 11 copies of a letterhead memorandum reflecting a conversation between CLARENCE JONES and JOHN O. KILLENS as received from [REDACTED] on 9/20/63.

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- 6 - Bureau (Enc. 11) (RM)
  - 1 - 100-407018 (CLARENCE JONES)
  - 1 - 100-392452 (STANLEY LEVISON)
  - 1 - 100-106670 (MARTIN LUTHER KING)
- 1 - Atlanta (100-5586 (MARTIN LUTHER KING) (Enc. 1) (Info) (RM)
- 4 - New York
  - 1 - 100-73250 (CLARENCE JONES)
  - 1 - 100-111180 (STANLEY LEVISON)
  - 1 - 100-136586 (MARTIN LUTHER KING)

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New York, New York

September 20, 1962

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APPROPRIATE AGENCIES  
AND FIELD OFFICES  
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On September 20, 1963, a confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that on that date, Clarence Jones was in contact with John O. Killens, Negro author, and Jones stated that he is outraged over the meeting of the civil rights leaders and the President; that he was very leery of the meeting with the President in the first place, and that the leaders had been outmaneuvered. Jones said it is an absolute insult and an affront to 20 million Negroes to send a commission to study the murder of six Negroes. This has served the purpose of getting the Federal Government completely off the hook; completely absolved the Federal Government of its duty to protect the life and property of Negroes in the country and in Birmingham.

As of July 13, 1963, Clarence Jones was the General Counsel for the Gandhi Society for Human Rights, 15 East 40th Street, New York City.

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[REDACTED] Jones continued that this matter should not be permitted to pass without a severe critical comment and must be unmasked for what it is, the worst of the old gradualism.

[REDACTED] Jones then said that there will be a meeting on September 20, 1963, of Louis Lomax, Ruby Dee, John Killens, James Baldwin and himself in Room 440 of the Hotel Astor at 3:30 p. m., to plan strategy on a statement that will be released after another 5:00 p. m. meeting this date.

The "New York Times" of September 20, 1963, page 21, reflects that Louis Lomax and John O. Killens, Negro authors, at a press conference held at New York City on September 19, 1963, announced a memorial service in Town Hall, New York City, at 5:30 p. m., September 20, 1963, for the six children killed in Birmingham, September 15, 1963.

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[REDACTED] also advised that Jones, in speaking to another individual on that date, advised that John Killens and James Baldwin are going to blast Martin Luther King today on his actions in Washington, D. C. Jones said, "There is going to be a bombshell between now and Sunday."

[REDACTED] who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that Clarence Jones had contacted Stanley Levison on that date, stating that he urgently needed to see him today before noon, since Martin Luther King was "likely to get a very bitter blast from James Baldwin and a couple of other writers" regarding the meeting which King and other Negro leaders had with President Kennedy.

[REDACTED] who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that Stanley Levison was at that time a secret member of the Communist Party, USA.

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Communist Party, USA  
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI  
(ATT: CIVIL RIGHTS SECT. GENERAL INVESTIGATIVE DIV.)  
FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (100-146553)  
SUBJECT: JAMES BALDWIN  
RACIAL MATTERS  
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Enclosed herewith are ten (10) copies of a letterhead  
memo reflecting the conversation between CLARENCE JONES and JAMES  
BALDWIN, as received by [REDACTED] on 9/19/63. *b(2) b7(D)*

The letterhead memo is classified "Secret" due to  
the extreme sensitive nature of [REDACTED]. The unauthorized  
disclosure of this information could reveal the identity of  
the source and thereby impair investigation of subversive  
matters, which could be injurious to the national defense. *b(2) b7(D)*

Characterization of CLARENCE JONES is listed at  
the end of the memo in order to insure continuity of the memo.

- 5 - Bureau (ENCLS. 10) (RM)  
(1-100-407018) (CLARENCE JONES)  
(1-100-106670) (MARTIN LUTHER KING)
- 1 - Birmingham (157-867) (ENCLS. 1) (INFO) (RM)
- 1 - Atlanta (100-5586) (ENCLS. 1) (INFO) (MARTIN LUTHER KING) (RM)
- 1 - New York (100-73250) (CLARENCE JONES)
- 1 - New York (100-136585) (MARTIN LUTHER KING)
- 1 - New York (100-146553)

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New York, New York  
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6076 On September 19, 1963, a confidential source who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that on that date Clarence Jones (Counsel to Martin Luther King) and James Baldwin (Negro author) held a discussion regarding Baldwin's appearance on the USIA television program in Washington on August 28, 1963. Jones stated that he had requested from USIA a transcript of the entire show and had received this transcript and noted that Baldwin's remarks regarding the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) and Mr. Hoover were not contained therein and therefore Jones assumed that these remarks had been edited out. Baldwin stated that he had witnesses to the statements that he had made on this program. In recalling his statement regarding the FBI, Baldwin stated that the substance of his remarks on this program were "part of the problem in the civil rights movement is J. Edgar Hoover". Jones then stated that he would "like to blow the whistle on this". Jones stated that any legitimate critical opinion of the FBI is apparently "off limits or taboo". Jones further stated that he had composed a letter to the rest of the participants on the USIA show informing them of the deletion made. Jones then stated that he intends to inform the USIA that he knows of the deletion and intends also to bring this information to the attention of the public and the Attorney General. Jones continued that he was going to do this immediately and stated that he would also like to draft a statement and stated "we cannot let this deletion go".

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James Baldwin

Additionally, Baldwin and Jones discussed Baldwin's public statement of September 18, 1963, issued at a press conference in New York City. According to the "New York Herald Tribune", September 19, 1963, Baldwin is quoted as bitterly criticizing the Kennedy Administration and the FBI for their "lack of action" following the Birmingham bombing, September 15, 1963. The "New York Times" of September 19, 1963, additionally quotes Baldwin as saying "I blame J. Edgar Hoover in part for events in Alabama. Negroes have no cause to have faith in the FBI". This source also stated that Jones told Baldwin that he had received a call from an attorney "who works in an office of the Justice Department". According to this source, this attorney advised Jones that Baldwin's statement had caused "quite a stir", stating further "you're going to be hearing from us".

Jones further advised Baldwin that Baldwin's press statements were a most significant contribution. Jones further stated that he was disturbed over the proposed conference of Negro leaders with the President scheduled for September 19, 1963. Jones felt that this conference could do more harm than good. Baldwin stated that he felt that Kennedy should go to Alabama and Jones replied "the President cannot be let off the hook on this thing". Jones further added that Baldwin's press statement had been a very valuable contribution and that it reflected that general consensus of opinion of the majority of Negroes in Birmingham. Baldwin agreed that the feeling existed not only in Birmingham but elsewhere. Baldwin then spoke of something his sister had said to his mother, "Negroes are thinking seriously of assassinating Martin Luther King". Jones then stated that he believed that the feeling in the South is one of "crisis in the efficacy of non-violent movement".

In a further discussion of the Birmingham bombing Jones questioned the "efficacy of the FBI in cases like this". Jones stated that there had been 45 to 50 bombings since 1947 and not one had been solved. He further stated that "there has been a total absence of FBI infiltrating racist organizations".

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James Baldwin

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[REDACTED] advised that Clarence Jones was at that time Counsel to Reverend Martin Luther King.

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TO DIRECTOR --1-- 100-106670

FROM SAC NEW YORK 100-136585

MARTIN LUTHER KING, SECURITY MATTER-COMMUNIST  
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RACIAL MATTERS  
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Mr. Callahan  
Mr. Conrad  
Mr. DeLoach  
Mr. Evans  
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Mr. Rosen  
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Miss Holmes  
Miss Gandy

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ADVISED THAT ON THAT DATE CLARENCE JONES AND MARTIN LUTHER KING HELD  
A DISCUSSION REGARDING THE BIRMINGHAM BOMBING OF NINE FIFTEEN SIXTY  
THREE. KING INDICATED THAT SOME KIND OF NATIONAL PRESSURE SHOULD  
BE BROUGHT TO BEAR ON THE PRESIDENT FOR FEDERAL INTERVENTION IN  
BIRMINGHAM. KING ALSO INDICATED THAT HE WAS THINKING OF RECOGNITION  
OF THE BOMBING SHOULD TAKE PLACE SUCH AS A NATIONAL PERIOD OF  
MOURNING. JONES INDICATED THAT HE WAS THINKING THE SAME AND SUGGESTED  
THAT NEGROES AND WHITE SUPPORTERS CONSIDER A FIVE MINUTE WORK  
STOPPAGE TO DRAMATIZE THE INCIDENT. SOURCE ALSO ADVISED LATER  
THAT BARRY GRAY WAS CONSIDERING HAVING HIS PROGRAM THIS EVENING DEAL  
WITH BIRMINGHAM. SOURCE INDICATED THAT GRAY WAS ATTEMPTING TO HAVE  
CLARENCE JONES, ROY WILKINS, MARTIN LUTHER KING / BY TELEPHONE FROM  
BIRMINGHAM, ONE LOU LOMAX AND POSSIBLY JOHN LEWIS, CHAIRMAN OF THE  
STUDENT NON-VIOLENT COORDINATING COMMITTEE, DISCUSS THE BIRMINGHAM  
SITUATION ON HIS PROGRAM THIS EVENING. NEW YORK WILL LISTEN TO  
THE GRAY PROGRAM AND WILL FURNISH THE BUREAU PERTINENT INFORMATION  
IF ANY. AIRTEL AND LHM TO FOLLOW.

END AND PLS ACK.

12-25 AM NY R 1 WA

CC-MR. ROSEN

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AND CIVIL RIGHTS DIVISION.

Sept. 12, 1963

Martin Luther King and Clarence Benjamin Jones held a discussion regarding King making a recording of his speech during "March on Washington." No decision made as to how money from sale of record be divided. They discussed replacement for Hunter Pitts O'Dell. Bayard Rustin mentioned as possibility but King afraid of Rustin's background & activities. Later Jones discussed same situations with Stanley Levison. No decision made on either topic by Levison and Jones. Dissemination being made to AG, Deputy AG, Burke Marshall & Yeagley.

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Date: 9/11/63

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-106670)

FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (100-136585)

SUBJECT: MARTIN LUTHER KING  
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RACIAL MATTERS

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(1 - 100-3-116) (CP, USA, COM INFLUENCE - RACIAL MATTERS)  
(1 - 157-970) (MARCH ON WASHINGTON)  
(1 - 100-392452) (STANLEY LEVISON),  
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The letterhead memorandum makes reference to a conversation between MARTIN LUTHER KING and CLARENCE JONES wherein JONES makes reference to "our friend". "Our friend" is undoubtedly STANLEY LEVISON. The full text of the conversation at this point is as follows:

JONES states "Well, let me reflect upon it and I'll discuss it with our friend and get his feelings about it". KING states "He understands why I haven't called him?" JONES answers "Yes, absolutely, in fact, he would be a little upset if you did". KING then states "I'm trying to wait until things cool off ..... until this civil rights debate is over ..... as long as they may be tapping these phones you know ..... but you can discuss that with him".

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[redacted] furnished information which indicated that on that date Martin Luther King held a discussion with Clarence Jones regarding the March on Washington. One matter discussed was the making of a record album which would contain the speech made by Martin Luther King at the March on Washington. This discussion also included how the proceeds from this record would be distributed. Jones indicated that he felt that the proceeds should go to the three civil rights groups equally and that King should discuss this matter with A. Phillip Randolph (head of the Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters) before he entered into an agreement with RCA, because the other groups would think that King was trying to capitalize on the March for the benefit of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC) or for himself. Both men agreed however, that King and the SCLC would make much more money if they had the album exclusively. They also agreed that the people would buy the album because of King's speech and therefore it would not be fair to split the money among the other organizations. It was also agreed that King would be in a difficult position in discussing this point with Randolph and that therefore Jones should discuss this matter with Randolph.

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Martin Luther King

As of July 3, 1963, Clarence Jones was the General Counsel for the Gandhi Society for Human Rights, 15 East 40th Street, New York City.

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[REDACTED] further stated that Jones and King also b(1)  
discussed the replacement of Jack (presumably Hunter Pitts  
O'Dell, previously employed as an administrator in the New York  
Office of the SCLC) and that in this conversation the name of  
Bayard Rustin (Deputy Director - March on Washington) was brought  
up by King. King wondered whether it would be possible for  
Rustin to come back into the civil rights movement inasmuch as  
he had now received good press publicity as a result of the  
March on Washington. According to [REDACTED] these two b(1)  
individuals, in referring to Rustin, discussed the reasons why  
"we had to let him go".

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[REDACTED] I just don't know ..... maybe  
you ought to talk with our friend about it because he knows the  
problem very well ..... Jones indicated that he would discuss  
the matter with "our friend" and get his feelings about it. King  
further inquired as to whether "our friend" understood why he,  
King, had not called him and Jones answered "Yes, absolutely".  
King further stated that "I'm trying to wait until things cool  
off ..... until this civil rights debate is over ..... you can  
discuss that with him".

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[REDACTED] also advised that a short time later -  
Jones held a discussion with Stanley Levison in which he stated  
that the question had been put to him regarding Rustin as to  
whether Rustin could take a position like heading up the New  
York Office (presumably of the SCLC) without causing undue harm  
to the organization.

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[REDACTED] Levison  
answered "Yes - that was some years ago". Jones indicated that  
this matter arose out of a question regarding the supervision and



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Martin Luther King

disposition of the New York Office (presumably the New York Office of the SCLC). Levison then stated that the matter required some thought, commenting that Rustin acts impulsively when leading the organization. Jones further stated that he had been thinking of others for the job and mentioned the name Ted Brown. Levison stated that he did not like that idea.

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[REDACTED] Stanley Levison was at that time a secret member of the Communist Party, USA.

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Pursuant to the Director's instruction, there is attached for approval a letter to the Attorney General with copies to the Deputy Attorney General and Assistant Attorneys General Marshall and Yeagley which will serve to acknowledge Marshall's letter of 9/20/63 and call attention to the pertinent communications of 9/13 and 24/63. We are also telling the Attorney General that we will continue to furnish him promptly pertinent information in this regard as received.

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Enclosed herewith are 3 copies of a LHM reflecting  
opinions expressed by STANLEY LEVISON on 9/23/63, regarding a  
forthcoming book by MARTIN LUTHER KING.

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Martin Luther King  
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A confidential source that has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on September 23, 1963, that Stanley Levison discussed a forthcoming book that is being written by the Reverend Martin Luther King.

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[REDACTED] that Stanley Levison  
is a secret member of the Communist Party, United  
States of America.

[REDACTED] c- b(1)  
[REDACTED] Levison expects the  
book by King to be published approximately January 15, 1964.  
This book, which will deal with King's experiences in Birmingham,  
Alabama, is being handled in part by Clarence Jones.

As of July 3, 1963, Clarence Jones was the General Council for the Gandy Society for Human Rights, 15 East 40th Street, New York City.

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The first source stated that Levison is not satisfied with the manner in which Jones has been handling some of the material for the book, and he intends to speak to Jones in this regard.

According to the first source, Levison has prepared the foreward for this book which will be approximately a page and one half long. The source was unable to state whether or not Levison's name will accompany the foreward of the book.

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Enclosed herewith are 11 copies of a letterhead memorandum reflecting a conversation between STANLEY LEVISON and CLARENCE JONES as received from [REDACTED] on 9/20/63.

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Re: Communist Party, USA  
Negro Question  
Communist Influence in Racial Matters  
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On September 20, 1963, a confidential source who has furnished reliable information in the past, furnished information which indicated that on that date Clarence Jones and Stanley Levison held a brief discussion regarding the meeting of the Negro civil rights leaders with President Kennedy on September 19, 1963.

As of July 3, 1963, Clarence Jones was the General Counsel for the Gandhi Society for Human Rights, 15 East 40th Street, New York City.

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who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that Stanley Levison was at that time a secret member of the Communist Party, USA.

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[REDACTED] Jones advised Levison that he urgently needed to see him that day inasmuch as Martin Luther King was "likely to get a very bitter blast from James Baldwin (negro author) and a couple of other writers" regarding the meeting which King and other Negro leaders had with President Kennedy. Jones further indicated that he had had a discussion with Baldwin and had received the impression that Baldwin and another writer were in disagreement with King indicating that their point was that the Negro leaders had only gone to the White House to tell the President what he "should know in the first place" and that it had resulted only in the President's appointing a Commission "when he knows the problem doesn't need this study".

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September 23, 1963

[REDACTED]  
Park River, North Dakota

Dear [REDACTED]

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Your letter of September 16th, with enclosure, has been received. Although I would like to be of assistance, information in the files of the FBI must be maintained as confidential in accordance with regulations of the Department of Justice.

The Communist Party in this country has attempted to infiltrate and subvert every segment of our society. However, the Party's efforts are being thwarted by the FBI's internal security programs, by investigation, arrest and prosecution of Party functionaries, and by widespread, intelligent public opposition to the communist philosophy. These achievements are being accomplished through orderly, legal procedures.

Despite the above, the world communist conspiracy and its advocates in the United States continue to operate against the welfare of our country. It is important that our citizens educate themselves concerning the true nature of this atheistic philosophy in order that they will be able to resist its eroding influence. At the same time, opposition to communism must be careful and constructive, and kept within the due process of law. It is not enough to be mer against communism. We should exhibit in positive ways the superiority of our form of government over any foreign ideology.

Enclosed is some literature I hope will be of interest to you. Perhaps you will also want to read my books, "Masters of Deceit" and "A Study of Communism," which will give you an insight into communist activities. Copies may be available at your public library.

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Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover

Director

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Faith in God--Our Answer To Communism  
Let's Fight Communism Sanely!  
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The Communist Party Line

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September 16, 1963

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, Director  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
United States Department of Justice  
Washington 25, D.C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

Recognizing the dangers of Communism, I subscribe to some patriotic publications explaining the Communist menace and also attend any near by meeting of noted speakers on the subject.

I am enclosing a clipping from a newspaper which associates Martin Luther King with communist fronts. A speaker I heard also mentioned that the National Council of Churches Group had pastors who belonged to communist fronts.

It is hard for me to believe that a christian pastor could be a communist and yet this is what so many public speakers and printed publications seem to say.

Attorney General Robert Kennedy has stated that there is no evidence that any of the top leaders of the Civil Rights groups were connected with communism.

The enclosed newspaper article mentions Martin Luther King who I believe is a leader in Civil Rights as a member of communist fronts from a quote.

I do not know if your office can give out any information of this nature, but what I am interested in knowing is if from your records you have any proof of any communist infiltration in any way whatsoever in our churches?

I am writing because I have heard and read so many charges against some of our church leaders. I have never heard of any action against such charges by the church men, such as libel suits.

If it is possible for you to give me any information it would be appreciated.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

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he "had no evidence" that any of the top leaders of the **Major Civil Rights** groups were communist or communist controlled.

—New York Post, July 25, 1963

#### **CIVIL RIGHTS AND COMMUNISM**

Martin Luther King, president of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, a participant in the activities of Highlander Folk School, Monteagle, Tenn. This school is actually a communist training school. The closing address at its 1957 25th anniversary seminar was made by King. Pictures taken at that time show him together with Abner Berry, Negro member of the Central Committee of the Communist Party and columnist for the Daily Worker. Pete Seeger, participant in the N. Y. State Youth Board of the Communist Party (Daily Worker, Feb. 22, 1949) and long time CP member, entertained the delegates.

Marilyn R. Allen, (P.O. Box 2243, Salt Lake City, Utah) in her "I Love America" series No. 20:

"Agitator Martin Luther King has 60 communist front citations, as documented by Karl Prussion, ex-FBI counter spy for 22 years, who says M. L. K. 'is a member of more communist front organizations than any communist in the United States.'"

The N. Y. Post, July 11, 1958 reports an interview with King (who is a student of Hegel, German-Socialist) by Mike Wallace in which King asserted: "I'm sure that integration will lead to intermarriage. I don't deny that . . . ."

Bayard Rustin, King's manager, deputy director of the August 28 March on Washington, is a former communist, organized the 1958 pacifist drive, and "who would have been proud to have joined them in Red Square." Rustin not only is one of eight "impartial observers" who attended the 16th National Convention of the Communist Party



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